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(Mrs Ronald B. Wilson)



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Robert Morrison  
1728-1810.

Mrs Morrison  
1756-1821.

Sarah  
1739-1816.

James M<sup>c</sup> Ewen.

Hugh M<sup>c</sup> Ewen  
1725-1792.

Sallie Miller.

Robt. H. Morrison  
1794-1889.

Abigail M<sup>c</sup> Ewen  
1762-1825.

Margaret M<sup>c</sup> Dowell  
1728-1789.

M<sup>c</sup> Dowell.

Joseph G. Morrison  
1842-1906.

Mary  
1789-1789.

Mary Graham  
1801-1864.

Joseph Graham  
1759-1836.

James Graham  
1714-1763.

Mary M<sup>c</sup> Dowell  
1720-1791.

Isabella Davidson  
1764-1808.

John Davidson  
1735-1832.

Robert Davidson.

Diolot Wilson  
1742-1818.

Samuel Wilson  
1710-1788.

Major Wilson.

Elizabeth Yates.

Benj. Wilson  
1759.

Mary



Thomas Davis d. 1764. John Davis d. 1749. William Wrens.  
 Dolphine Davis 1759-1818. Ann Wrens. Benjamin Hodges d. 1753. Roger Hodges d. 1720. Robert Hodges d. 1684.  
 Hartwell Hodges d. 1796. Mary Goodrich 1616-1697. Elizabeth Higgins.  
 Countance Goodrich 1642-1696. John Goodrich 1616-1697.  
 Ann Bechinoe 1628-1697. Edward Bechinoe 1628-1697.  
 Mary Bechinoe.

Dolphine A. Davis 1802-1881. John Stevenson d. 1784.  
 Ann Stevenson d. 1820. Mary 1729-1806.

E. Davis 1747-1835.

Mary E. Horah 1820-1855. Mr. Henry Horah 1788-1863. Hugh Horah 1760-1822. Henry Horah d. 1772.  
 Margaret Gardner d. ca. 1800. Mary Moore 1768-1833. Robert Moore 1735-1779.  
 Louisa Furr 1797-1846. Martha Funningham d. 1822. William Funningham d. 1756.  
 Tobias Furr d. 1797. Heinrich Furr d. 1769. Bennett Murray d. 1756.  
 Barbara Furr 1769-1845. George V. Smith 1727-1814. Peter Smith d. 1767.  
 Sarah Braund d. ca. 1803. John Braund 1713-1775. Barbara Braund d. ca. 1803.  
 Elizabeth d. ca. 1803. John Braund 1691-1756. Catherine Braund 1705-1760.  
 Rabele's Supperinger 1697.



Capt. Joseph Graham Morrison, b., June 1, 1842, d. Apr. 11, 1906, m. Oct. 22, 1872.

Jane Elizabeth Davis, b. Sept. 14, 1847, d. Dec. 24, 1935. Both are buried at Machpelah Presbyterian Church, Lincoln Co., N. C.

Children (all born at "Cottage Home," Lincoln Co., N. C.)

- I. Mary Graham Morrison, b. Sept. 21, 1873, d. Dec. 10, 1911, m. Oct. 19, 1909, Rev. Charles E. Raynal, b. Mar. 18, 1876, in Savannah, Ga., d. Dec. 1, 1944, son of Anna Geridean and of Pierre Napoleon Raynal, both natives of Alsace. Statesville, N. C.

Children.

1. Hall Morrison Raynal, b. Nov. 27, 1911, d. Dec. 14, 1911.
2. Charles Geridean Raynal, b. Nov. 27, 1911, d. Dec. 8, 1911. Both children are buried in the grave with their mother at Machpelah.

- II. Louise Davis Morrison, b. Dec. 31, 1875, d. Aug. 28, 1909, m. May 1, 1906, Frank E. Lloyd, b. Feb. 5, 1877, in London, son of Gen. Edward F. Lloyd of the Royal Engineers. They lived in Guadalajara, Mexico. One child died at birth. She is buried at Machpelah.

- III. Alston Davis Morrison, b. Jan. 27, 1878, d. Oct. 14, 1950, m. 1st, Oct. 24, 1912, Allison Louise Badger, b. May 23, 1883, d. Dec. 10, 1942, daughter of Dr. George E. Badger and granddaughter of Sen. George E. Badger, Secretary of the Navy in the cabinet of Pres. Harrison. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Charlotte, N. C.

Child.

1. Jane Margaret Morrison, b. Sept. 3, 1913, m. June <sup>13</sup>~~12~~, 1936, James Osborne Moore, b. Oct. 31, 1909, a lawyer of Charlotte, N. C.

Children.

James Osborne Moore, b. Sept. 5, 1939, d. Nov. 28, 1939.

Allison Badger Moore, b. Jan. 21, 1941.

Jane Morrison Moore, b. May 30, 1943.

Roger Alston Moore, b. Nov. 8, 1946.

Alice Brandon Moore, b. Oct. 31, 1953.

m. 2nd. Dec. 27, 1943, Isabel (Pennix) Carter, widow of Luther Carter.

- IV. Robert Hall Morrison, b. Feb. 17, 1880, m. May 12, 1913, Portia Lee Owen, b. Dec. 26, 1882, daughter of Bettie Atkinson and Archibald Owen of Virginia. Charlotte, N. C.

Children.

1. Robert Hall Morrison, b. Mar. 7, 1915, m. Sept. 7, 1940, Josephine Currier Hutchison, b. Sept. 1916.

Children.

Anne Little Morrison, b. Aug. 13, 1942.

Portia Owen Morrison, b. Apr. 1, 1944.

Robert Hall Morrison, b. May 31, 1946.

2. Mary Graham Morrison, b. Nov. 27, 1918, m. Nov. 1, 1941, James Rutledge Withers, Jr.

Children.

Jane Withers, b. June 9, 1947.

James Rutledge Withers, b. June 21, 1949.

3. Bettie Atkinson Morrison, b. May 6, 1921.

4. Anna Jackson Morrison, b. Nov. 13, 1924.



- V. Anna Jackson Morrison, b. Aug. 10, 1883, m. Mar. 11, 1909, Ronald Bonar Wilson, b. Nov. 18, 1883, at Greenville, N. C., a son of Annie C. Smith and Louis H. Wilson. He died Sept. 11, 1947, at Raleigh and is buried at Machpelah.
- VI. John Wright Morrison, b. Sept. 17, 1885, d. Sept. 19, 1885.
- VII. Joseph Graham Morrison, b. Sept. 17, 1885, m. Dec. 3, 1910, Margaret Pearl Gardner b. Oct. 19, 1889, daughter of Texanna Nooe and Col. Junius T. Gardner of Shelby, N. C. Lincoln Co., N. C.  
Children.
1. Rev. Joseph Graham Morrison, b. Oct. 24, 1911, m. Nov. 7, 1936, Carolyn Craven.  
Children.  
Joseph Graham Morrison, b. Nov. 7, 1940.  
Annice Willmott Morrison, b. Apr. 5, 1948.  
Jackson Davis Morrison, b. Sept. 15, 1950.  
Junius Watson Morrison, b. June 21, 1953.
  2. Junius Davis Morrison, b. Mar. 10, 1913, m. July 10, 1937, Lil Kirk Huggins, Miami, Fla.  
Children.  
Junius Davis Morrison, b. Oct. 2, 1942.  
Martha Graham Morrison, b. Aug. 13, 1948.
  3. Margaret Gardner Morrison, b. Feb. 4, 1919, m. Apr. 1944, Albert M. Guillet. Charlotte, N. C.  
Children.  
Judy Gardner Guillet, b. Mar. 28, 1946.  
Elizabeth Maria Guillet, b. July 22, 1950.
  4. John Nooe Morrison, b. Nov. 1, 1921, m. Mary Katherine Lumbattis, Miami, Fla.  
Child.  
Mary Katherine Morrison, b. July 17, 1947.
  5. Anna Jackson Morrison, b. Feb. 6, 1929, m. Sept. 14, 1947, Dr. Lamont Lydell Whiddon, Miami.  
Children.  
Celia Lee Whiddon, b. July 27, 1951, d. Sept. 10, 1951.  
Scott Morrison Whiddon, b. Nov. 18, 1952.  
Stuart Hall Whiddon, b. June 5, 1954.

VIII. Infant son, b. Feb. 1888. Lived one or two days.

#### Joseph Graham Morrison

Joseph Graham Morrison was a cadet at the Virginia Military Institute when in Aug. 1862 he was appointed aide-de-camp on the staff of Gen. "Stonewall" Jackson. He served with him through the "Valley Campaign" and was at his side when the General was shot during the battle of Chancellorsville. After the death of Gen. Jackson he was assigned to the command of Co. F, 57th N. C. Regiment. He was wounded three times, losing half of one foot at Petersburg, Va., on Aug. 20, 1864.

After the Civil War Capt. Morrison was interested, with Gen. D. H. Hill and Mr. James P. Irwin, in the publication of "The Land We Love", a magazine, at Charlotte. He spent five years in California. He and his brother, Robert Morrison traveled, in going out, to New York by rail; to Panama by boat; crossed the Isthmus by rail; and went up the western coast by boat. They bought a farm in the Mariposa Valley, California, where they raised wheat. In coming home they crossed the continent on the newly built transcontinental railroad. On returning to "Cottage Home" he engaged in farming and in the operation of the Mariposa Cotton Mill which he owned.



Petersburg 8 Sept. '64.

Cottage Home  
Lincoln Co.  
N<sup>O</sup>-. Car<sup>a</sup>-.

Mrs. T. J. Jackson:

I have rec<sup>d</sup> your letter of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Aitto in reference to your brother Capt. J. G. Morrison. It will give me great pleasure to aid him in obtaining any position he deserves, but at present it is difficult to say upon what kind of duty he will be capable of entering. I am glad to say that he is doing very well from his last wound but it will be some time I think before he is able to perform field duty of any kind. I should think it better for him when recovered to obtain Bureau duty, or duty within his State, at least until he finds by experience what labor & exposure he can endure. I was much distressed at the reception of his last wound which though very serious I trust will not inflict upon him permanent disability. His youth & temperament will in time overcome everything. He is now a Captain in the line. A very honorable position & from which, but for his last wound, his merits would soon have advanced him.

Wishing you & yours every blessing, I am with great respect most truly yours,

R. E. Lee.

Near Richmond.  
July 15, 1862

My dear Brother:

If it will be agreeable to you to serve on my staff as aid-de-camp please join me at once. Your pay will be that of a 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut. of Cavalry and \$35.00 per month extra. Your duties will require early rising, boldness, industry and enterprise.

Very truly yours,

T. J. Jackson.

Cadet Joseph Morrison

Should you join me please come down the central R.R.

T. J. J.

Note - The above letter from Col. T. J. Jackson to Joseph Morrison, a cadet at the Virginia Military Institute, is written on stationary captured from the Yankees. It has in the upper left hand corner the device of a woman riding an eagle. A liberty cap is on her head, a sword in her right hand and a flag of the United States in her left hand. Below is the motto: "One flag for the whole Country."





COTTAGE HOME

Lincoln County, North Carolina



Rev. Robert Hall Morrison, D.D., b. Sept. 8, 1798, in the Rocky River neighborhood, Cabarrus Co., N. C., and d. May 13, 1889, at "Cottage Home" in Lincoln Co., N. C.

m. Apr. 29, 1824,

Mary Graham, b. June 28, 1801, at "Vesuvius", Lincoln Co., and d. Apr. 27, 1864. Both were buried at Machpelah, she on the fortieth anniversary of their marriage.

Children.

- I. Isabella Sophia Morrison, b. Jan. 28, 1825, at Fayetteville, N. C., d. Dec. 12, 1904, and is buried at Davidson with her husband and unmarried children. She attended Salem. m. Nov. 2, 1848, Lieut. Gen. Daniel Harvey Hill, b. July 12, 1821, d. Sept. 28, 1889, a son of Nancy Cabeen and Solomon Hill of S. C. He was a graduate of West Point; a major in the War with Mexico; a lieutenant general in the Confederate Army; editor of "The Land We Love"; and president of the University of Arkansas.

Children.

1. Robert Hall Morrison Hill, b. July 29, 1850, d. Apr. 5, 1857.
2. Mary Eugenia Hill, b. Apr. 28, 1852, d. Nov. 24, 1934, m. June 1, 1876, Thomas Jackson Arnold, b. Nov. 3, 1845, d. Jan. 11, 1933, only nephew of Gen. "Stonewall" Jackson. Lived in Calif. and Elkins, W. Va.

Children.

Isabel Arnold, b. May 12, 1877.

Daniel Harvey Hill Arnold, b. Jan. 12, 1879, d. Jan. 30, 1955, m.

1st, Oct. 24, 1906, Mary Ann Denham, d. Jan. 1, 1909.

m. 2nd Aug. 4, 1914, Rebecca Andrews.

Thomas Jackson Arnold, b. Mar. 21, 1883, m. June 27, 1918, Caroline Martin.

Eugene Hill Arnold, b. June 6, 1890, d. ca. 1940.

3. Dr. Randolph W. Hill, b. Jan. 20, 1854, d. Nov. 19, 1926, a surgeon of Los Angeles, Calif., m. June 28, 1910, Edith Thatcher, b. Oct. 7, 1879.

Children.

Randolph William Hill, b. May 31, 1912, m. Sept. 24, 1945, Barbara May Lindley, b. Nov. 11, 1911.

Edith Grace Hill, b. May 12, 1914, m. Feb. 4, 1939, Weldon Wright Pascoe.

4. William Morrison Hill, b. Nov. 17, 1855, d. Apr. 2, 1856.
5. Nancy Lee Hill, b. Feb. 8, 1856, d. May 29, 1938 at Raleigh.
6. Daniel Harvey Hill, L.L.D., b. Jan. 15, 1859, d. July 13, 1924, president of N. C. State College and historian, m. July 22, 1885, Pauline White, b. May 12, 1865, d. Mar. 1933.

Children.

Pauline White Hill, b. Sept. 12, 1886.

Daniel Harvey Hill, b. Sept. 3, 1889, d. Jan. 20, 1937, m. Aug. 22, 1918, Ruth Blankenship.

Elizabeth Bulloch Hill, b. Jan. 26, 1892, m. Mar. 19, 1921, Max Dudley Abernethy.

Samuel White Hill, b. Jan. 31, 1895, d. July 27, 1956, m. June 22, 1926, Pauline Rouse.

Isabel Randolph Hill, b. Aug. 21, 1903.

7. James Irwin Hill, b. Feb. 8, 1861, d. Nov. 10, 1866.
8. Joseph Morrison Hill, L.L.D., b. Sept. 2, 1865, d. July 23, 1950, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Ark. m. Nov. 19, 1890, Kate Renolds, d. July 18, 1943.

Children.

Martha Reynolds Hill, b. Jan. 5, 1893, m. July 4, 1920, David Rogerson Williams.

Isabella Preston Hill, b. Sept. 20, 1896, m. June 4, 1920, John Calvin Hill, III.



9. Harriet Irwin Hill, b. July 25, 1869, d. Nov. 12, 1881, of diptheria while on a visit at "Cottage House".

II. William Wilberforce Morrison, b. Aug. 13, 1862<sup>26</sup>, at Fayetteville, N. C., d. Nov. 13, 1865, at "Cottage Home". A student under Peter Stuart Ney and a graduate of Washington and Lee, he was private secretary to his uncle, Gov. Wm. A. Graham, while governor of North Carolina, and served in the same capacity while Gov. Graham was Secretary of the Navy. A major in the commissary department of the C. S. A. D. s. p.

III. Harriet Abigail Morrison, b. Sept. 18, 1828, near Sugaw Creek Church, Mecklenburg Co., d. Jan. 27, 1897. She attended Salem and contributed many articles to newspapers and magazines., m. Nov. 27, 1849, James Patton Irwin, b. May 29, 1820, d. Nov. 24, 1903. Both are buried with their children in Elmwood Cemetery, Charlotte, N. C.

Children.

1. Johnnie Irwin, b. 1850, d. in infancy. Buried in Mobile Ala.
2. Hall Morrison Irwin, b. Dec. 25, 1851, d. Sept. 26, 1935, m. June 30, 1910, Lila Glasgow, b. May 12, 1869, d. 1950.

Child.

Hall Morrison Irwin, b. Apr. 27, 1911, m. July 7, 1948, Frances Armentrout.

3. Mary Irwin, b. Sept. 3, 1853, d. Oct. 22, 1855. A beautiful portrait of her was hanging in the sitting room of her sister's home one hundred years after her death.
4. Dr. John Irwin, b. Jan. 5, 1855, d. June 8, 1895. D. s. p.
5. Francis Irwin, b. Nov. 30, 1856, d. Mar. 28, 1896. D. s. p.
6. Isabel Irwin, b. Dec. 16, 1858, d. Apr. 1954, m. Nov. 16, 1886, Rev. Alfred Thurston Graham, D.D., b. June 4, 1858, d. Nov. 8, 1917.

Children.

Irwin Patton Graham, b. Feb. 9, 1888, d. Nov. 10, 1945, m. Nov. 11, 1920, Theo Terrell, b. Dec. 11, 1895.

Fanny Bland Graham, b. Sept. 13, 1890, d. Oct. 28, 1931, m. Dec. 1916, Rev. Hugh Kerr Taylor. She is buried in the English Cemetery in Shanghai.

7. Anna Octavia Irwin, b. June 29, 1860, d. Nov. 17, 1928.
8. James Irwin, b. Mar. 21, 1862, d. Nov. 8, 1865.
9. William Morrison Irwin, b. July 9, 1864, d. Aug. 8, 1865.

IV. Mary Anna Morrison was born July 21, 1831, near Sugaw Creek Church, Mecklenburg Co., and died Mar. 24, 1915, in Charlotte. She attended Salem. She published a biography of her husband under the name of Memoirs of "Stonewall" Jackson and at the age of eighty she wrote a series of articles for Hurst's Magazine which she called, The Life and Letters of "Stonewall" Jackson. m. July 16, 1857 Lieut. Gen. Thomas Jonathan Jackson, b. Jan. 21, 1824, d. May 10, 1863, a son of Julia Beckwith Neale and Jonathan Jackson, a lawyer of Clarksburg, Va., now West Virginia. A double orphan at the age of seven he was reared by Cummius Jackson, his bachelor uncle. A graduate of West Point, he was a major in the War with Mexico and a general in the army of the C. S. A. He is buried under a monument at Lexington, Va. with his wife and two daughters, his son-in-law and his grandson.

Children.

1. Mary Graham Jackson, b. Feb. 28, 1858, d. May 25, 1858.
2. Julia Thomas Jackson, b. Nov. 23, 1862, in Charlotte and d. Aug. 30, 1889, in Charlotte. Like her mother she was greatly beloved by the Confederate Veterans. m. June 2, 1885, William E. Christian, b. May 14, 1856, d. Feb. 5, 1936. One of his groomsmen was Thomas Nelson Page.



Children.

- A. Julia Jackson Christian, b. June 5, 1887, San Diego, m. Aug. 8, 1907, Judge Edmund Randolph Preston, b. June 5, 1880, d. Aug. 1957, of Charlotte, N. C., and Washington, D. C.

Children.

John Randolph Preston, b. July 25, 1908, d. Aug. 1909.

Anna Jackson Preston, b. Aug. 12, 1910, m. Feb. 9, 1935, Emile Nathaniel Schaffner, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Elizabeth Cortlandt Preston, b. Jan. 9, 1914, m. Sept. 1937, John Spach Creech, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Julia Jackson Preston, b. Oct. 9, 1918, m. Mar. 17, 1941, James Byington McAfee, Riverside, Conn.

Captain Edmund Randolph Preston, b. Apr. 13, 1923, of the U. S. Army, m. 1947, Nell Smith of Seguin, Texas.

Thomas Jackson Preston, b. Oct. 18, 1926.

- B. Thomas Jonathan Jackson Christian, b. Aug. 30, 1888, in San Diego, Calif., d. Sept. 15, 1952. Col. U. S. A. m. 1st. Jan. 8, 1914, Bertha M. Cook, b. Feb. 17, 1891, d. Sept. 20, 1941, buried Santa Barbara, Calif. m. 2nd. 1943, Edris McAfee. Divorced. m. 3rd. Feb. 26, 1949, Elenora Faison.

Children.

Thomas Jonathan Jackson Christian, b. Nov. 19, 1915, in Calif. A major in the Air Corps, he was decorated with the Silver Star for gallantry in aerial action over Solomon Islands; and as he led the fleet, a colonel, in his seventy-eighth mission over Germany his plane was shot down, Aug. 1944. m. Marjory Ashcroft.

Margurite Louise "Peggy" Christian, b. June 1919, m. ca. 1952, Leslie Schwarkof, St. Petersburg, Fla.

William Edward Christian, b. Feb. 1950.

Virginia Pendleton Christian, b. Feb. 1950.

Thomas Jackson Christian, b. Aug. 11, 1952.

- V. Eugenia Erixena Morrison, b. Feb. 5, 1833, at Sugaw Creek, d. June 27, 1858. Attended Salem. A portrait of her made by Thomas Sully shows her to have been a beautiful woman. She is buried in Memorial Garden, Concord, N. C., m. May 23, 1854, Brig. Gen. Rufus Barringer, b. Dec. 2, 1821, d. Feb. 3, 1895.

Children.

1. Anna Morrison Barringer, b. May 2, 1855, d. June 2, 1874.
2. Paul Brandon Barringer, M. D., b. Feb. 13, 1857, d. 1941. He was chairman of the faculty of the University of Virginia and the author of "The Natural Bent". m. Dec. 28, 1882, Nannie Hannah, b. Dec. 15, 1861.

Children.

Rufus Hannah Barringer, b. Nov. 18, 1883, d. Aug. 16, 1911.

Anna Maria Barringer, b. Nov. 11, 1885.

Paul Brandon Barringer, b. Aug. 28, 1887, m. Lucy Minor.

George Hannah Barringer, b. July 1, 1889, d. ca. 1937, m. Connie Cotes, d. 1948, of England, while he was in the consular service and was stationed in Ireland.

Victor Clay Barringer, b. Feb. 8, 1893, m. Lucy Hampton.

Margaret Venable Barringer, b. Feb. 8, 1893, m. Joseph I. Weller.

Eugenia Morrison Barringer, b. Mar. 11, 1895, d. May 1928.

Thomas Cunningham Barringer, b. Nov. 19, 1896, m. Isabel Wakefield.

Alma Worth Barringer, b. Sept. 15, 1898.

John Hannah Barringer, b. Sept. 4, 1901, m. Ann Cucullu.



- VI. Sarah Walker Morrison, b. Oct. 26, 1834, d. Apr. 22, 1838, of diphtheria. Buried at Davidson.
- VII. Elizabeth Lee Davidson Morrison, b. Mar. 25, 1837, at Davidson (the month that the College opened) d. Apr. 30, 1838, of diphtheria. Buried at Davidson.
- VIII. Susan Washington Morrison, b. Oct. 3, 1838, at Davidson, d. Mar. 25, 1886. She attended Peace Institute. M. Feb. 27, 1861, Alphonso Calhoun Avery, b. Sept. 11, 1835, d. June 13, 1913, a son of Harriet Irwin and Isaac F. Avery of Burke Co., N. C. He was a colonel in the Confederate Army and a Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court. Morganton, N. C.
- Children.
1. Mary Graham Avery, b. Oct. 24, 1862, d. Mar. 1863. <sup>86</sup>
  2. Harriet Eloise Avery, b. Aug. 16, 1864, d. Sept. 7, 1868, m. Aug. 12, 1885, Gilmer Brenizer, M.D., b. Mar. 27, 1864, d. Mar. 16, 1933. Child.  
Sudie Avery Brenizer, b. May 18, 1886, m. Clarence R. Noff, d. July 13, 1943, of Calif.
  3. Robert Morrison Avery, b. Feb. 1868, d. Jan. 23, 1890.
  4. Anna Julia Avery, b. Oct. 23, 1869, d. 1871.
  5. Isaac Erwin Avery, b. Dec. 1, 1871, d. Apr. 2, 1904. He had a column in the Charlotte Observer called Idle Comments. Articles selected from this column were brought out in book form under the same name.
  6. Susan Washington Avery, b. Jan. 23, 1873, d. Sept. 1920., m. Oct. 12, 1892, Thomas McBee, b. Dec. 10, 1863, d. 1915. Children.  
Elizabeth Hunt McBee, b. Apr. 9, 1895, m. Capus W. Waynick, Ambassador to Nicaragua.  
Alphonso Avery McBee, b. Sept. 5, 1898, m. Jessie Keith.  
Silas McBee, b. Mar. 6, 1902, m. Ellen Maloney.
  7. Alphonso Calhoun Avery, b. Sept. 16, 1874, d. ca. 1940, m. Mar. 6, 1900, Mary Patterson Johnston, b. 1877. Child.  
William Johnston Avery, b. May 12, 1901, m. June 6, 1925, Virginia Hall.
  8. Alfred Lee Avery, b. Dec. 2, 1876, d. Aug. 31, 1893.
- IX. Laura Panthea Morrison, b. July 19, 1840, d. Apr. 15, 1920, attended Edgeworth; painted portraits. M. Nov. 2, 1869, John Edmunds Brown, b. Aug. 30, 1830, d. Jan. 29, 1896. Colonel 42nd Reg. of N. C. Troops, C.S.A. and a lawyer of Charlotte, N. C.
- Children.
1. Rev. Robert Hall Morrison Brown, b. Dec. 7, 1872, d. m. Nov. 17, 1915, Florence Whitworth.
  2. Rev. John Edmunds Brown, b. May 6, 1875, d. Mar. 13, 1920, m. June 5, 1902, Ellen Campbell Pancake, d. 1939. Children.  
John Edmunds Brown, b. Apr. 1903, d. July 11, 1905.  
Frances Campbell Brown  
Laura Morrison Brown, m. June 3, 1936, Rev. Charles A. Logan.
  3. Alfred William Brown, b. Jan. 7, 1878, d. Jan. 19, 1932, m. 1st June 24, 1902, Emmie Lemly, d. June 25, 1926, m. 2nd Oct. 20, 1927, Mrs. Margaret (Munroe) Clark. Child.  
Byron Lemly Brown, b. Mar. 5, 1904, d. Aug. 5, 1904.
  4. Bedford Jethro Brown, b. June 29, 1880, d. Oct. 2, 1929.



- X. Capt. Joseph Graham Morrison, b. June 1, 1842, d. Apr. 11, 1906, m. Oct. 22, 1872, Jane E. Davis, b. Sept. 14, 1847, d. Dec. 24, 1935.  
Children. (See p. 3)
- XI. Dr. Robert Hall Morrison, M.D. b. Nov. 27, 1843, d. Aug. 7, 1922, aide-de-camp on the staff of Gen. D. H. Hill, C.S.A., m. Feb. 15, 1882, Lucy Andrews Reid, b. June 13, 1851, d. Apr. 5, 1925. Buried with his family at Center Presbyterian Church, Iredell Co., N. C.  
Child.  
Dr. <sup>Morrison</sup> Rufus Reid Morrison, M.D., b. Jan. 2, 1883, d. July 21, 1945. Lived at "Mt. ~~Monroe~~", built in 1835 by Rufus Reid, his great-grandfather and shown in "Old Homes and Gardens", Iredell Co., N. C., m. Jan. 17, 1914, Isabelle Douglas, d. Aug. 1947.  
Children.  
Isabelle Torrence Morrison, b. Mar. 16, 1915.  
Laura Douglas Morrison, b. Feb. 23, 1917, m. Robert C. Harrington, Jr.  
Lucy Reid Morrison, b. Sept. 14, 1924, m. 1951, Barrie James.
- XII. Rev. Alfred James Morrison, b. Oct. 1, 1849, d. July 6, 1876, buried at Machpelah. M. Feb. 24, 1875, Portia Lee Atkinson, b. May 9, 1855, d. May 22, 1923, daughter of Dr. John Atkinson, president of Hampton-Sidney College near Farmville, Va.  
Child.  
1. Alfred James Morrison, L.L.D., b. July 11, 1876, d. Jan. 22, 1923, in Washington, while doing research work on a history of Virginia which he never finished.

<sup>a</sup>  
Dr. Robert <sup>a</sup>Hill Morrison, D.D.

Dr. Robert Hall Morrison graduated in 1818 from the University of North Carolina and in 1822 from Princeton. He went at once to Fayetteville, N. C. where he was made Pastor of the beautiful First Presbyterian Church on the banks of Cross Creek, built in 1816 by Richard Upjohn who built Christ Church, Raleigh. (It was rebuilt after the fire of 1831 on the original foundation and was restored in 1922 by Hobart Upjohn, a grandson of the architect.)

Dr. Morrison had been twelve years old when his Scots grandfather (Robert Morrison of the Rocky River neighborhood, Cabarrus County) died and he may have learned Gaelic from him. While at Fayetteville he published the North Carolina Telegram, a religious newspaper, which carried a column in Gaelic. In a showcase in the archives of the church, is a sermon written by him in Gaelic and there is also a record book of marriages, baptisms and deaths which had been kept by him.

In 1827 Dr. Morrison took charge of the Sugaw Creek Presbyterian Church just outside of Charlotte and of the First Presbyterian Church of Charlotte, which was just being organized. He did not come as a stranger to Sugaw Creek. Two of his McEwen aunts were members of his congregation, an aunt and uncle of his were buried in the old graveyard across the road from the church and Mrs. Morrison's paternal grandmother was buried there.

When the Presbyterians, led by the large tribe of Davidsons, were ready to build their college, he as the "White Haired Boy" of the family connection, was put in charge. He moved to Davidson, solicited funds and put up buildings. It has never been proved that there was a relationship between Gen. William Lee Davidson who fell, Feb. 1, 1781, in the battle of Cowan's Ford and for whom the college was named and Major John Davidson who signed the Declaration. In the next



generation, Gen. Davidson's son, "Billy Lee, Jr.", married Major Davidson's daughter Betsy. He was the largest contributor in land and money to the college and he had no children. ~~th~~ On March 25, 1837, at Davidson, the month that the college opened for students a six-daughter was born to the Morrisons, who was named Elizabeth Lee Davidson Morrison for this aunt and uncle of Mrs. Morrison's.

Letters now in the library of the University of North Carolina from Dr. Morrison to his cousin, Rev. James Morrison, show that he was not happy while at Davidson. Owning land and influenced, supposedly, by Peter Stuart Ney the college attempted to have part of the food raised by the students but soon gave this up. The students were hard to control on the farm and on the campus. The two youngest Morrison children died of dyptheria and Dr. Morrison, himself, was in miserable health. After acting as president for four years he resigned.

A farm, part of the Graham plantations, had been given to Dr. and Mrs. Morrison by her father on the occasion of their marriage. This land lay in Lincoln County - fifteen miles from Davidson. When Dr. Morrison became troubled with ill health he decided to live there and so built a residence which was called "Cottage Home".

When Dr. Morrison moved his family from Davidson to "Cottage Home" he was the father of six daughters and one son, William Morrison, a boy of fourteen. Peter Stuart Ney, as he styled himself, had gone that year to teach in the neighborhood and he lived in the home of Mr. John D. Graham, Mrs. Morrison's brother. William Morrison boarded with his uncle for several years and was prepared for Washington College at Lexington, Va., by the Marshal. As Dr. Morrison settled at "Cottage Home" when his eldest daughter was sixteen all of his daughters were married there. His three youngest children, all boys, were born there. He called these three sons of his his "little farmers".

Sometime after settling in Lincoln County, Dr. Morrison was made pastor of Unity Presbyterian Church. He held services at Unity until after the Civil War, at Machpelah, close by the old Graham and Brevard burying-ground from the time a building was erected in 1848 until 1865; and at Castania Grove until 1876. He was a successful farmer.

Peter Stuart Ney, d. 1846

Peter Stuart Ney taught school near Catawba Springs in Lincoln County, from 1841 until 1845. During that time he lived at the home of John D. Graham. When "Historic Doubts as to the Execution of Marshal Ney", by Weston, came out in 1895, Miss Jennie McLean and Capt. A. F. Brevard, who had attended school under Mr. Ney, were still living in the neighborhood. The following letters were published in this book.

Dr. A. H. Graham, Bagdad, Texas, (1879) Peter S. Ney, as he styled himself, came to my father's in Lincoln County, N. C., in 1841, to teach school. He was employed by my father and others for about four years. He had a saber wound on his head and numerous gunshot wounds on his body and limbs, and one particularly, near the knee-joint, from a musket ball, part of which he still retained, and at times, on his long walks to and from school, gave him much pain. Often spoke of Lord Nelson and the battle of Trafalgar, didn't say he was in the battle, said Lord Nelson was a great Englishman. I have sat for hours and listened to him tell of his battles and campaigns, especially the dreadful march from Moscow.



Alexander F. Brevard, Machpelah, Lincoln Co., N. C. (1892). I went to school to Peter S. Ney in 1841 when he taught near Catawba Springs-----He told me he was the best fencer in the French army with one exception - presumably Murat. One day when slightly in liquor he said, "Some people say I was educated for a Roman Catholic Priest. It is a lie. I am the poor old marshal".

Rev. R. H. Morrison, D.D., formerly President of Davidson College, Lowesville, N. C. (1885). I knew Peter S. Ney. As far as I could learn, his conduct was upright and marked by propriety except when drinking to intemperance, and even then he seemed to avoid collision with others. There were some points in his behavior so different from the ordinary pursuits of men as to render it difficult to account for them. He avoided towns and cities and sought schools in the country and seemed to care for only a bare support, when he might, from his talents and attainments, have obtained much more profitable positions. He taught school in my neighborhood and one of my sons went to school to him. He was a fine scholar and a good teacher. He sometimes attended my preaching and gave the most respectful attention to the services of the sanctuary, as a courteous gentleman always does.

Mrs. D. H. Hill (Charlotte, N. C. (1894). I have often seen Peter S. Ney. He wrote a beautiful acrostic on my name. I once dined with Mr. Ney at the home of my uncle, Mr. J. D. Graham. Mrs. Graham was dead and his young daughter, Miss Martha, acted as hostess. She asked me to assist her. Mr. Ney was amused at our inexperienced efforts at entertaining. He remarked, "I hope, young ladies, you will excuse personal remarks, but I cannot help criticising". My cousin said, "I expect my teacher to criticise me". He made no reply, but after we went in the parlor he took a seat near us and remarked, "Composure of feature and steadiness of person are the highest evidences of good breeding". I was so struck with these words that I immediately wrote them in my diary.

Gen. D. H. Hill, Charlotte, N. C. (1887). Many of my acquaintances were pupils of P. S. Ney. In some way they were much impressed with the learning - and ability of this man of mystery. They all believed him to be the redoubtable marshal but the claimants for the marshalship overdid the work. They talked a great deal about the scholarship of P. S. Ney, for which the real marshal was not distinguished. However, the boys in an old field school are apt to imagine that their teacher is a new addition of Solomon.

Mercer, Ga.  
May 25, 1885.

Gen. J. E. Johnston,

Thanks for your kind letter. I did not see "the marks of failing health", but did see that age has told upon you perceptibly. I had not seen you in twelve years and meant only that another such interval of time would find us both in the grave. Since the death of my youngest child three years ago I am often in the deepest gloom. She was the joy of her old parents and the world is sad to us since she left us. I would have gladly have died with her or for her.

At the beginning of the war I had as much of the martyr spirit as Rodley or Latimer, but I became badly demoralized when I felt that our people were unworthy of freedom. I wanted then to live for my family and not to die for a country full of bombproof men and hunters after soft places. The soldiers who stuck to their colors to the last were worthy of all honor but I could not see where the dulce and decus came in to die for shirks, speculators and bombproofs.

Yours truly,  
D. H. Hill.



## Dr. Morrison's Colored Family

Dr. Morrison inherited one slave, Mary (1801 - ), from his father and when she married Bagwell (1798 - ) Dr. Morrison bought him. Mary and Bagwell had four sons: Joe Morrison (1825 - ca. 1895); Hous Morrison (1827 - ca. 1910); John Morrison (1831 - ca. 1930); and Milas Morrison (1833 - ca. 1900). Dr. Morrison's confidence in the members of this family was very great. Aunt Mag Morrisn, Uncle John's widow, used to say that the negroes called aunt Mary the "overseer" - that when Dr. Morrison needed information he called her from the kitchen to his library and then he knew what to do. Uncle Joe was the carriage driver and Uncle John went to Richmond by train in the autumn of 1864, to bring Capt. Joe Morrison, who had lost half of one foot at Petersburg, back to "Cottage Home".

Dr. Morrison bought a young negro girl when his neighbor, Mr. Anderson, died. She was Aunt Sarah (1825-1906). All of the other servants seem to have been inherited from Mrs. Morrison's brother, the Hon. James Graham, who died in 1851. At any rate the census of 1850 valued the old minister's property at \$6,000 and the census of 1860 valued his real estate at \$23,000 and his personal peoprtty at \$52,350.

### List of Morrison Slaves

(Copied from a list in possession of Jane Moore).

Quash, Born in		1784
August, Born	Dead	1777
Rose, Born		1794
Bagwell, Born	Dead	1798
Mary, Born		1801
Levi, Born		1802
Hannah, Born		1810
Hetty, Born		1819
Ephriam, Born		1822
Jake, Born		1823
Sarah, Born		1825
Patsy, Born	Dead	1826
Ailsey, Born		1826
Joe, Born	Feb. 20th	1825
Hous, Born	Sept. 8th	1827
Edmund, Born	Dead Jan. 7th	1828
Jinsy, Born	Dead Aug. 15th	1829
Kit or Caroline, Born	Dec.	1829
Phillis, Born	Oct.	1830
Flora, Born	Aug. 12th	1831
John, Born	Aug.	1831
Tom, Born	Nov.	1831
Milas, Born	March	1833
Cinda, Born	Sept.	1833
Betsy, Born	Oct.	1833
Adeline, Born	Dead March	1835
Martha, Born	Dead Jan. 9th	1836
Amos, Born	June 15	1836
Sam, Born	Jan. 20th	1837
Rixy, Born.	Sept. 27th	1837
Isaac, Born	Aug. 3rd	1839
Albert, Born	Aug. 7th	1841
Fanny, Born	Feb. 27th	1842
Charles, Born	July 17th	1842



Cyrus, Born		Feb. 10th	1843
Becky, Born		Jan. 2nd	1843
Dilly, Born		Nov. 31st	1843
Ellen, Born	Dead	Dec. 6th	1844
Jim, Born	Dead	Jan. 10th	1845
Ann, Born		April 1st	1845
George, Born		April 20th	1845
Mark, Born		June 10th	1845
Lucy, Born	Dead	Sept. 7th	1845
Pat ( <u>Sold</u> ), Born		Aug. 15th	1846
Lewis, Born		June 26th	1847
Rose, Born	Dead	March 14th	1847
Harvey, Born		Sept. 17th	1847
Frank, Born		Dec. 30th	1848
Dick, Born		June 5th	1849
Rufus, Born		June	1850
Sylvia, Born			1823
Augustus, Born		Jan. 18th	1851
Adam, Born		Nov. 3rd	1852
Caroline, Born		Jan. 26th	1853
Ellen, Born	Dead	March 7th	1853
Junius, Born		Jan. 22nd	1854
Jane, Born		Jan. 31st	1854
Creasy, Born		Oct. 11th	1854
Hannah		Oct. 26th	1854
Eli, Born		March 7th	1855
Albert, Born		Nov. 6th	1857
Vicy, Born	Dead	April 30th	1857
Emma, Born		Dec. 15th	1860
Ashby, Born		Nov. 5th	1862
Jane, Born		March 15th	1863
Alice, Born		Dec. 23rd	1864



William "Miller Billy" Morrison, b. July 23, 1756, d. Nov. 10, 1821. He was born in Pennsylvania and moved, with his parents, to the Rocky River neighborhood in Cabarrus County, N. C., in 1764. He and his wife and three infant children are buried in the old graveyard about 500 yards from the Rocky River Presbyterian Church. On his gravestone is written, "He lived a Christian. He died in peace".

m. Aug. 4, 1785, Abigail McEwen, b. Dec. 3, 1762, in Cabarrus County, d. Oct. 6, 1825.

Children.

- I. Sarah Morrison, b. June 30, 1786, d. Dec. 10, 1870, m. Mar. 7, 1812, Andrew Walker, b. Mar. 19, 1786, d. Oct. 26, 1856. He lived in Cabarrus County, N. C. Children.

1. Isaac Stanhope Walker, d. Apr. 8, 1857, in Miss. m. Jane \_\_\_\_\_. Child.  
Erixena Walker, b. 1856, d. 1862.
2. Caroline Walker, b. Dec. 8, 1813, d. Mar. 21, 1858, m. Nov. 8, 1840, Col. David White, b. Aug. 29, 1792, d. July 20, 1867. They had seven children.
3. Susan Walker, b. 1815, d. Feb. 1, 1890. Never married.
4. Abigail Walker, b. 1821, d. Feb. 4, 1890. Never married.
5. James Hall Walker, b. 1826, d. Apr. 7, 1862. Never married.

- II. James McEwen Morrison, b. May 4, 1788, d. Nov. 13, 1848. He moved to Alabama in 1816, and on to Mississippi in 1835. m. July 27, 1809, Elizabeth Morrison, b. May 25, 1792, d. Aug. 19, 1859, a granddaughter of James Morrison, d. 1804.

Children.

1. William Allison Morrison, b. July 13, 1810, d. ca. 1881. Both of his grandfathers were named William Morrison. m. 1st Mary Eliza Gilmore. m. 2nd Mrs. Margaret Gillespie.
2. Abigail Lucinda Morrison, b. Sept. 20, 1812, d. Oct. 2, 1825.
3. James Quincey Morrison, b. Aug. 19, 1814, d. ca. 1874, m. Melissa Arabella Cox.
4. Infant son, b. Aug. 7, 1816, d. Aug. 12, 1816.
5. Catherine Elizabeth Morrison, b. Nov. 5, 1817, d. 1825, m. 1st David Brasell. m. 2nd Jonathan F. Cloud.
6. Robert Hall Morrison, b. Feb. 11, 1820, d. ca. 1880, in Ark.
7. Russell C. Morrison, b. Feb. 22, 1822, d. July 25, 1828.
8. Jane Erixena Morrison, b. Apr. 21, 1824, d. Jan. 22, 1911. m. Dec. 19, 1844, James Smith, b. Feb. 16, 1816, d. Oct. 11, 1904.
9. Lucinda Abigail Morrison, b. Mar. 20, 1826, d. Mar. 19, 1887, m. 1849, Peter Johnston, b. Sept. 1817, d. July 31, 1887.
10. Rev. Hugh McEwen Morrison, b. Mar. 24, 1828, d. Oct. 10, 1893, m. 1st 1848, Mary N. Markert, b. Sept. 28, 1828, d. Oct. 11, 1849. m. 2nd 1859, Margaret F. McClure, b. 1841, d. Sept. 8, 1908.
11. Margaret Josephine Morrison, b. Sept. 30, 1830, d. Dec. 16, 1848, m. 1847 Peter Johnston, b. Sept. 1817, d. July 31, 1887.
12. Sarah Elvira Morrison, b. Nov. 20, 1834, d. Jan. 14, 1836.

- III. Margaret Morrison, b. Mar. 3, 1790, d. Mar. 15, 1868, m. Dec. 15, 1814, John Kimmons, b. May 5, 1785, d. Oct. 18, 1848, moved to Mississippi in 1837. Children.

1. Abigail Erxiena Kimmons, b. Nov. 3, 1816, d. Jan. 12, 1896, m. May 16, 1839, Daniel McFarlan, b. June 2, 1809, d. July 1898.



2. Hugh Harvey Kimmons, M. D., b. July 23, 1818, d. Sept. 17, 1890, m. Apr. 12, 1851, Cornelia Hope, b. Mar. 10, 1829, d. May 9, 1863.
3. William Morrison Kimmons, b. Oct. 27, 1819, d. Feb. 28, 1857, m. Jan. 14, 1846, Catherine Hope, b. Nov. 2, 1825, d. Oct. 6, 1889.
4. Martha Ann Kimmons, b. Nov. 2, 1822, d. Mar. 28, 1880, m. Mar. 12, 1845, John P. Morrison, b. June 29, 1821, d. Jan. 4, 1877, a grandson of James Morrison, d. 1804.
5. Rev. John A. Kimmons, b. Apr. 14, 1824, d. Sept. 7, 1905.  
m. 1st Mary Walker, d. 1855.  
m. 2nd Ellen Wiley, d. 1862.  
m. 3rd Martha Jones, d. 1880.  
m. 4th Dec. 10, 1884, Annie Devall.
6. Rev. James McEwen Kimmons, b. Apr. 27, 1828, d. Mar. 9, 1905, m. Dec. 21, 1854, Martha McCorkle, b. Nov. 28, 1838, d. May 24, 1925.
7. Robert Hall Kimmons, b. Apr. 27, 1828, d. Sept. 10, 1862. Never married.

IV. Hugh Hall Morrison, b. June 27, 1792, d. Dec. 17, 1794.

V. Jean Erixena Morrison, b. May 30, 1794, d. Aug. 14, 1795.

VI. Erixena "Rixie" Morrison, b. Aug. 14, 1797, d. May 4, 1860, m. Dr. Cyrus A. Alexander. Both are buried with their child in the graveyard by the Rocky River Presbyterian Church, Cabarrus County, N. C.  
Child.

1. Julius Bicket Alexander, d. aged 1 year.

VII. Dr. Robert Hall Morrison, D. D., b. Sept. 8, 1798, d. May 13, 1889.  
m. Apr. 29, 1824, Mary Graham, b. June 28, 1801, d. Apr. 27, 1864.  
Children. (See page 7).

VIII. Infant (unnamed) b. Nov. 17, 1800, d. Dec. 2, 1800.

#### Old Letters

Sarah Morrison Walker kept a shoe box full of old letters which had been written to her and her husband by their relatives who had left the state. Her great-granddaughter, Mable White, of Charlotte, has them now and a great deal of genealogical data has been gotten from them. Col. Hall Morrison, of Charlotte, wrote to descendants of the Morrisons who migrated and got some records of their families.

Sarah Morrison Walker and Rixie Morrison Alexander were the only members of Dr. Robert Hall Morrison's family whom his children ever knew.



Robert Morrison, b. 1728, d. Aug. 12, 1810. "He was raised in the low lands of Scotland in sight of Ireland on a clear day", and with two brothers, James and John immigrated to America in 1750. These three brothers moved from Pennsylvania to North Carolina in 1764, settling in Cabarrus County which was then a part of Mecklenburg. They were among the founders of Rocky River Church. He and his wife are buried at Spear's Graveyard two miles from the church.

Sarah \_\_\_\_\_, b. 1739, d. Oct. 6, 1816.

Children.

- I. William Morrison, b. July 23, 1756, d. Nov. 10, 1821, m. Aug. 4, 1785, Abigail McEwen, b. Dec. 3, 1762, d. Oct. 6, 1825.

Children. (See page 16).

- II. Elizabeth Morrison, b. Sept. 14, 1758, moved with her stepson to Bedford County Tenn, ca. 1818., m. Apr. 3, 1804, William Andrews, b. Aug. 13, 1758, d. Mar. 1806. He is buried in Spear's Graveyard. No children.

- III. Jean Morrison, b. Oct. 15, 1760, d. ca. 1805, m. Daniel Caldwell.

- IV. John Morrison, b. Mar. 28, 1763, in Pennsylvania, d. Nov. 27, 1846, in Bedford County, Tenn. The date and province of his birth is given in his application for a Revolutionary War pension.

m. 1st Apr. 5, 1791, Jane Bradshaw, b. 1771, d. Jan. 5, 1803.

m. 2nd July 31, 1804, Dolly Rogers.

Children.

1. Cynthia Morrison, m. Aug. 16, 1815, Joel B. Alexander.

2. Rev. Silas H. Morrison, d. Sept. 20, 1840.

3. Elias Denson Morrison, b. Feb. 20, 1795, d. Mar. 30, 1852, m. 1820, Jennie Kimmons, b. Nov. 7, 1798, d. June 30, 1893.

4. Rev. Levi Rogers Morrison, b. July 3, 1805, d. Nov. 29, 1867, m. Oct. 27, 1831, Martha Donnell, b. July 16, 1811, d. Nov. 23, 1879.

- V. James Morrison, b. Aug. 23, 1765, d. Jan. 13, 1842, in Bedford County, Tenn. m. Nov. 5, 1796, Sarah Caruthers.

- VI. Phoebe Morrison, b. Jan. 11, 1768, d. Nov. 11, 1852. m. Robert Caldwell, b. 1759, d. Nov. 6, 1832. He is buried in Spear's Graveyard but there is no tombstone in Spear's which marks the grave of his wife. Phoebe Morrison Caldwell and William Morrison were the only children of Robert Morrison who raised their children in North Carolina.

Children.

1. John Caldwell, b. Dec. 24, 1790, d. Oct. 16, 1832, m. Nov. 21, 1815, Mary Allen, b. July 21, 1794, d. June 19, 1883.

2. Robert Caldwell, b. Sept. 10, 1792, d. Mar. 1, 1847, m. Dec. 27, 1819 Serena Houston.

3. Daniel Caldwell, b. Nov. 20, 1794, d. July 1, 1844, m. Jan. 18, 1826, Isabelle Shields, b. 1801, d. June 15, 1858.

4. Margaret Caldwell, b. Apr. 11, 1796, d. Oct. 13, 1862, m. May 6, 1839, Joshua Teeter.

5. James Caldwell, b. 1798, d. Dec. 10, 1843, m. Feb. 24, 1831, Polly Dickson.

6. Silas Caldwell, b. 1800, m. 1st Dec. 6, 1838, Matilda Ivery, b. 1819, d. June 15, 1859, m. 2nd Eliza J. Cothran, b. Apr. 28, 1839, d. June 10, 1912.

7. William Caldwell, b. June 9, 1802, d. Jan. 15, 1858, m. Dec. 18, 1834, Elizabeth Query, b. Nov. 20, 1807, d. Oct. 30, 1866.



VII. Sarah "Sally" Morrison, b. Jan 11, 1770, d. Sept. 8, 1845, m. James Watson Bradshaw, b. Jan 27, 1778, d. Apr. 12, 1828. Lived in Bedford County, Tenn. Children.

1. Elias Bradshaw, b. Nov. 28, 1796, d. Oct. 1826, d. s. p.
2. Jane Bradshaw, b. July 2, 1798, d. July 25, 1854, d. s. p.
3. Rev. Amzi Bradshaw, b. July 12, 1800, d. June 15, 1859, m. Hannah Brown.
4. Hannah Bradshaw, b. Oct. 17, 1802, d. Jan 22, 1883, d.s.p.
5. Elam Bradshaw, b. Oct. 6, 1804. Died in childhood.
6. Robert Elam Bradshaw, b. July 17, 1806, d. Nov. 24, 1856, m. Apr. 12, 1838, Margaret Appelby, b. Nov. 1, 1812, d. May 15, 1883.
7. James Elwood Bradshaw, b. Oct. 28, 1808, m. Amanda Dryden.
8. Thomas Watson Bradshaw, b. Mar. 11, 1811, d. Jan. 13, 1840.

VIII. Robert Morrison, b. Oct. 28, 1771, d. 1824, m. 1796, Susannah Walker, b. Jan. 15, 1779, d. June 4, 1859. He died in Bedford County, Tenn. His widow and most of his children moved to Bentonville, Ark. Children.

1. Infant, d. 1798.
2. Zizi Morrison, b. Feb. 20, 1800, d. in Ark. after 1857, m. Jan. 30, 1828, Margaret Caruthers, d. after 1857.
3. Rachel Morrison, d. 1837. Never married.
4. Sarah D. Morrison, b. Aug. 24, 1804, d. Nov. 10, 1879. Never married.
5. James Morrison.
6. Rev. Robert McAmie, b. 1809, d. 1861, m. 1840, Elizabeth Huggins, d. Oct. 1854.
7. Jane Morrison, b. 1811, d. ca. 1860. Never married.
8. Susan Teresa Morrison, b. Sept. 20, 1816, d. Apr. 25, 1859, m. Jan. 1839, Samuel Pickens, b. 1816, d. Dec. 15, 1856.
9. Rev. Addison Walker Morrison, b. Jan. 29, 1819, d. 1861, m. Julia Hardy, b. Nov. 21, 1820, d. Feb. 19, 1886.
10. William Andrews Morrison, b. Dec. 29, 1820, d. Apr. 24, 1885, m. Sept. 1850, Mary Hardy, b. 1824, d. Mar. 1866.

IX. Thomas Morrison, b. Jan. 15, 1774, d. June 17, 1815, d.s.p.

X. Mary Morrison, b. Mar. 12, 1776, m. Dec. 19, 1796, Thomas Parks.

XI. Martha Morrison, b. Mar. 9, 1779, d. Oct. 10, 1854, m. Mar. 13, 1811, Samuel Garrison, d. Mar. 5, 1930. Lived in Bedford County, Tenn. Children.

1. Robert C. Garrison, b. Dec. 11, 1811, d. Sept. 28, 1895, m. Apr. 3, 1839, Martha Buchanan, b. Jan. 30, 1815, d. June 9, 1893.
2. Sarah Garrison, m. Archibald M. Pickens, d. Sept. 2, 1863.
3. Samuel R. Garrison, b. 1821, d. Apr. 10, 1830.



# Estate of Thomas Morrison, d. 1815

Thomas Morrison died, June 17, 1815, leaving his property to those of his brothers and sisters who were still living in North Carolina. On Nov. 17, 1815, the legatees signed an agreement allowing their mother to have the benefit of a great part of her son's estate for the duration of her life, adding, "We know that Brother Thomas left a will but we do not think he would want us to use his will. Brother Thomas did not expect our Honored Mother to outlive him".

This document was signed by Robert Caldwell for the share of his wife Phoebe Morrison; by Samuel R. Garrison for Martha Morrison; James W. Bradshaw for Sarah Morrison; and by Thomas Parks for Mary Morrison. Elizabeth Morrison Andrews signed for her own share as William Andrews was dead. Daniel Caldwell was not a legatee as Jean Morrison was dead. The agreement was in the handwriting of William Morrison, the executor, who also signed.

The estate papers of Thomas Morrison are now in the vaults of the State Archives, Raleigh, N. C.

## Census of 1820. Bedford County Tenn.

Page	Un- der 10	10 to 16	16 to 18	18 to 26	28 to 45	Over 45	Un- der 10	10 to 16	16 to 26	26 to 45	Over 45
12. Elizabeth Andrews	1		1	1			2				1
12. Samuel Garrison	2	1			1		1			1	
17. Elias Bradshaw	2	1		1		1		1	1		1
24. James Morrison	2	1		1		1	2	1	2	1	
24. John Morrison	2	1		3		1	3	2	1	1	
39. Robert Morrison	2	2	1	1		2	1		2	1	
26. John Ross (See. p. 23.)	1					1	1	2		1	



# Family Record

of James Morrison he emigrated from Scotland to America in the year A.D. 1750. He was born in 1726. Married Miss Jennet Morrison of Pa., in the year 1757, came to N. C. in the year 1764. Farmer resided in Mecklenburg Co. on Caldwell's Creek.  
Died Oct. 30th 1804

Aged 78

When I lie buried deep in dust  
My flesh shall be thy care  
These withering limbs to thee I trust  
To raise them Strong and fair.

Jennet died February 4th, 1810 Aged 75.

Birth Children.

1.	James	B	Jan. 26th	1758
2.	Jennie	"	Sept. 18th	1760
3.	Mary	"	Aug. 7th	1762
4.	William	"	March 23rd	1765
5.	John	"	Jan. 2nd.	1768
6.	Elizabeth	"	April 21st	1770
7.	Rachel	"	April 18th	1772
8.	Robert	"	Aug. 18th	1774
9.	James	"	Jan. 13th	1777
10.	Samuel	"	April 24th	1779

## Deaths

James 1st	Died in infancy.	
Samuel	"	March 29th 1872
James	"	Sept. 16th 1824 aged 47.
Robert	"	Aug. 1st
John	"	1846 aged 78
Rachel	"	Oct. 30th 1825 aged 51.
William	"	Sept. 1839, his wife April 1839.

Uncle William Morrison married Miss Catherine Russell.  
Uncle Robert Morrison married first Miss Margaret McCombs,  
2nd Miss Mary Wiley.



## History of James Morrison of Mecklenburg Co., N. C.

he was born in Scotland and with two other brothers, John and Robert Emigrated to America in the year A.D. 1750. James married Miss Jennet Morrison of Penn. The three Brothers taried a Short Space in Said State and came to North Carolina & Settled in Mecklenburg Co. on the waters of Reedy, McKeys & Caldwell's creeks.

John Dwight Morrison, Genealogist.

The above data is copied verbatim from records kept in an old account book by John Dwight Morrison (1822-1890), twelfth child of Samuel Morrison (1779-1872, with whom he made his home in Rocky River. He said little more about the three old Morrison brothers or about his aunts and uncles but he laboriously recorded names, with the usual dates, of the thirteen children, the eighty-three grandchildren and many of the great-grandchildren of his own father, Samuel Morrison.

John Dwight Morrison says, in an obituary of Samuel Morrison, "His advantages of Education were very limited only in old field Schools taut by very incompetant teachers in houses without floors or glass windows. In his youth Sabbath Schools were unknown, but their place was well Supplied by family ins Struction & the ins Struction of the pastor. His views on theology ware firm and fixed".

This account book is now in the possession of Dr. Fred Wilson Morrison of the law firm of Gardner and Morrison, Washington, D. C. Another hand records Fred's birth in the book. He was born ten months after the death of John Dwight Morrison, who was his grandfather.



John Morrison, d. Sept. 1777.

Mary Morrison, d. 1781.

Children.

- I. \_\_\_\_\_ Morrison, m. William Driskill
- II. Sarah Morrison, m. John Ross. Moved to Bedford Co. Tenn. (See p. 20)
- III. Elizabeth Morrison. She probably died before 1781 as she is not mentioned in her mother's will.
- IV. Jane Morrison, m. Samuel Huie.
- V. James Morrison, b. Aug. 27, 1768, d. Sept. 4, 1846, m. 1st July 19, 1789, Margaret Pharr, b. 1770, d. Nov. 24, 1817. m. 2nd Dec. 4, 1830, Mary Johnston, b. June 1786, d. May 29, 1845.
- VI. John Morrison, b. Apr. 4, 1771, d. Feb. 20, 1845, m. 1792, Margaret Pickens, b. Aug. 9, 1773, d. Oct. 9, 1844.
- VII. Elias Morrison, m. May 31, 1796, Mary Stewart.
- VIII. Robert Morrison, d. before 1790.
- IX. Mary Morrison, b. 1777, d. Sept. 13, 1821. Buried in Spear's Graveyard.

John Morrison died at his home in the Rocky River neighborhood of wounds received in a skirmish during the Revolutionary War. His heirs were allotted 640 acres of land for his services. Rough granite stones, without inscriptions, mark his grave and that of his wife in Spear's Graveyard.

John and Mary Morrison left wills which are recorded in Mecklenburg County (now Cabarrus). Apparently they had little to leave but children. John Morrison imposed it upon his eldest son, aged nine, to provide for his sister Elizabeth; and Mary Morrison left her son Robert in the care of her daughter Sarah Ross and her four year old Mary in care of Jane Huie.

Not only the wills but the estate papers of the three Morrison brothers are preserved in steele boxes in the fire proof vaults of the State Archives, Raleigh, N. C. Robert Morrison acted as the administrator of the estate of John Morrison and of the estate of Mary Morrison. There are receipted bills for John Morrison's funeral expenses, including one for a keg of liquor provided by John Ross. If a bolt of cloth, a barrel of vinegar or several sheep were furnished to Mary Morrison a bill was made out which she signed. In 1790 there was a division of the two estates. Each of the legatees signed a statement saying that he had received his full share of the property and that he was satisfied. The share of Robert Morrison, dec., was made over to John Ross.

The descendants of two of John Morrison's sons, James Morrison and John Morrison, Jr. still live in the neighborhood where he settled.

#### Spears Graveyard.

Spears Graveyard is two miles east of Rocky River Church on a high knoll which overlooks the surrounding country. Wide fields separate it from a road of any kind. The wall of field stone is in good condition. The twenty or thirty gravestones are of native soapstone, said to have been sawed out by hand. The stone with the earliest date of death marks the grave of William Spears, d. 1803. John Morrison died twenty-six years before that time and probably before the men of that neighborhood had learned to cut soapstone.



Hugh McEwen (McQuown, McKown) b. 1725, d. 1792, in Mecklenburg County, N. C.

Margaret McDowell, b. 1728, d. Apr. 1789.

Children.

- I. Rev. James McEwen, b. Jan. 4, 1749, in Lancaster Co., Pa., d. Mar. 8, 1788, a pupil and brother-in-law of Rev. James Hall, m. Jane (Hall) Roseboro a daughter of Prudence Roddy and James Hall, natives of Ireland, who are buried at Statesville, N. C.; and a granddaughter of Hugh Hall who emigrated from Ireland to Lancaster (now Dauphin) County, Pa., prior to 1723.

Child.

1. Erixena McEwen, m. Rev. James Adams, pastor, 1826-1836 of Unity Presbyterian Church, Lincoln Co., N. C. One of their daughters married Rev. Samuel Williamson, second president of Davidson College.

II. Indant, b. 1751, d. 1751.

III. John McEwen, b. 1753, d. in infancy.

IV. Mary McEwen, b. June 11, 1755, d. Dec. 11, 1806. Never married. Buried in the Old Sugaw Creek Cemetery.

V. John McEwen, b. 1756, d. in infancy.

VI. John McEwen, b. Jan. 5, 1758, d. in infancy.

VII. Elizabeth McEwen, b. Dec. 3, 1760. She was issued guardianship papers for a grandson in 1837, when she was 77 years old. m. John Dixon, d. 1816, in Mecklenburg County, N. C.

Children.

1. Jane Dixon, b. 1781, d. May 23, 1844, m. Robert White, b. 1777, d. Feb. 28, 1810.
2. Hugh Dixon, b. Mar. 12, 1788, d. Apr. 13, 1847, m. July 21, 1809, Margaret Davis, b. 1788, d. Aug. 9, 1844.
3. Mary Dixon, b. 1791, m. Jan. 28, 1814, James White.
4. Elizabeth Dixon, m. John Howie.
5. Robert Dixon, d. 1837.

VIII. Abigail McEwen, b. Dec. 3, 1762, d. Oct. 6, 1825, m. Aug. 4, 1785, William Morrison, b. July 23, 1756, d. Nov. 10, 1821.

Children. (See p. 16.)

IX. Margaret McEwen, b. May 11, 1764, d. 1779.

X. David McEwen, b. 1766.

XI. Jane McEwen, b. Mar. 23, 1768.

XII. Samuel McEwen, b. July 13, 1770, d. 1805, of Mecklenburg County, N. C. m. Dec. 1, 1795, Sarah Parks.

Children. (Mentioned in will of Mary McEwen)

1. Robert McEwen.
2. Selina McEwen, m. Aug. 5, 1816, Abner McGinty. Moved to Missouri.
3. Margaret McEwen; m. Aug. 9, 1822, Joseph Rogers. Moved to Tennessee.



XIII. Eleanor McEwen, b. Oct. 16, 1772, d. July 3, 1825, m. Jan. 12, 1793, James Moore, b. Jan. 20, 1772, d. Apr. 5, 1837. Both are buried in the Old Sugaw Creek Cemetery, their children in the newer one.

Children. (Mentioned in their father's will).

1. William Moore.
2. Mary Moore, b. 1798, d. Mar. 19, 1847, m. 1st. William Luckey, b. July 1, 1777, d. June 11, 1844. m. 2nd. Apr. 7, 1846, Thomas I. Grier, of Charlotte, N. C.
3. Elam Moore, b. 1800, d. Jan. 30, 1840, m. Jan. 18, 1826, Effreza Campbell, b. 1800, d. July 18, 1834.
4. James Hall Moore, m. Apr. 6, 1825, Keziah Parks.
5. Samuel McEwen Moore, b. Oct. 11, 1804, d. Aug. 13, 1858, m. Mar. 9, 1830, Eveline Wallace, b. June 9, 1800, d. July 1857.
6. Margaret Moore.
7. Jane A. Moore, b. Apr. 4, 1807, d. Mar. 13, 1891, m. Jan. 7, 1829, James Houston, b. Dec. 1, 1803, d. Aug. 4, 1847.
8. Abigail Eliza "Abiliza" Moore, b. 1811, d. June 1, 1839, m. Jan. 28, 1833, William C. Houston.
9. John W. Moore, b. Feb. 9, 1813, d. Nov. 8, 1861, m. Mary Williamson, b. Feb. 6, 1846, d. Jan. 6, 1907.

XIV. Sarah McEwen, b. Jan. 15, 1775, d. Feb. 17, 1834, m. Aug. 27, 1798, Robert B. Parks, b. 1762, d. June 17, 1844. Both are buried in the Old Sugaw Creek Cemetery.

Children. (Mentioned in their father's will).

1. Joseph Y. Parks, b. 1801, d. Dec. 10, 1843.
2. Jane Parks, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Hunter.
3. Strativa? Parks.
4. Keziah Parks, m. Apr. 6, 1825, James Hall Moore.
5. Abigail Parks, b. Nov. 20, 1808, d. Jan. 26, 1833, m. Nov. 3, 1829, Andrew Jones.
6. Mary Parks, b. Jan. 1, 1811, d. July 9, 1858, m. E. W. Alexander, b. 1807, d. Dec. 6, 1859.
7. William Parks, b. 1814, d. Jan. 3, 1846.
8. Margaret Parks, m. July 31, 1843, Leander D. Alexander.

Will of Hugh McEwen, d. 1792.

Hugh McEwen, in his Mecklenburg will signed and proved in 1792, mentioned his six children; Samuel, Mary, Eleanor, Sarah, Elizabeth and Abigail. He appointed his son Samuel McEwen and his son-in-law William Morrison his executors; and his brother-in-law Samuel Watson guardian of his estate.



McEwen Deeds.

Deeds, Vol. 5, p. 222.

Rowan County, N. C.

James Higgins of Rowan County sold to Hugh McQuown of the county aforesaid 640 acres of land lying in Rowan County on both sides of Coddle Creek.

Dated June 9, 1755.

Registered May 25, 1758.

Deeds, Vol. 5, p. 223.

Rowan County, N. C.

Thomas McQuown and Elizabeth McQuown his wife of Rowan County sold to Hugh McQuown of the county aforesaid a tract of 240 acres of land being in Rowan County and lying on the waters of Rocky River and Coddle Creek, beginning at the the N. E. Corner of Thomas McQuown's Plantation Plantation, this being part of a 640 acre tract granted to Thomas McEwen, by Granville, bearing date March 25, 1752.

Dated May 9, 1756.

Recorded July Court, 1756.

Deeds, Vol. 5, p. 222.

Rowan County, N. C.

Thomas McQuown, Planter, of Rowan County sold to John Davidson, Blacksmith, for £ 2, s. 6, 19 acres of land being part of the Plantation on which Thomas McQuown now lives, and joining the place "commonly known as Henry Hendry's Plantation" granted to Thomas McQuown, March 25, 1752.

Dated July 20, 1762.

Recorded July Court, 1762.

Land Grant. Secretary of State's Office.  
Hugh McQuown.

County	Mecklenburg	Acres	120
Book	38	Issued	20th Sept. 1779.
Page	383	Entered	20th May 1778
Location.	On the waters of Reedy Creek.		

Note - The surveyer's plat is with the grant. It shows that this tract joined the land of Robert Morrison, Thomas Neely, David Parks and Thomas Parks.



James McEwen (McQuown, McKown). By tradition in the Dixon family the parents of Hugh McEwen were James McEwen and Sallie Miller and he was a brother of Thomas McQuown. There is no mention in early Rowan documents of a James McQuown who was old enough to be the father of Hugh and Thomas McQuown.

Sallie Miller.

Children.

- I. Hugh McEwen, b. 1725, d. Feb. 1792, m. Margaret McDowell, b. 1728, d. Apr. 1789.

Children. (See p. 24.)

- II. Thomas McEwen, d. 1781, in Mecklenburg Co., N. C. He settled on a tract of 640 acres of land lying on Rocky River and Coddle Creek, granted to him by Granville, on March 25, 1752. It was an Anson County grant and was registered in Rowan after Rowan became a county in 1753. In some strange way this tract later became a part of Mecklenburg which lies south of the Granville Line.

m. 1st,

m. 2nd, Elizabeth (Cochran) Woodsides, a daughter of Robert Cochran and the widow of William Woodsides.

Children. (Mentioned in their father's will).

1. Margaret McEwen.
2. Alexander McEwen.
3. Jean McEwen.
4. Mary McEwen, m. Mar. 25, 1776, James Finney.
5. Eleanor McEwen.
6. Thomas McEwen.
7. Frances McEwen, m. Aug. 3, 1791, John Cochran.
8. Ruth McEwen, m. "In Gov. Speight's Term," John Steele.

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Mary McDowell, (maiden name unknown) b, 1709 in Scotland, d. Oct. 6, 1789, in Mecklenburg County, N. C. She is buried in Steele Creek Cemetery. By tradition her husband, whose first name is not known, died in Lancaster County, Pa.

Children.

- I. Margaret McDowell, b. 1728, d. Apr. 1789, m. Hugh McEwen, b. 1725, d. Feb. 1792.

Children. (See p. <sup>24</sup>~~21~~).

- II. Elizabeth McDowell, b. 1738, d. 1807, m. Samuel Watson, b. 1729, d. 1808. York District, S. C.

Children.

1. Mary Watson,  
m. 1st \_\_\_\_\_ Howe.  
m. 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ Eakins. Moved to Tenn.
2. John Watson, b. 1770, d. 1830. Moved to Tenn.
3. David Watson, b. Feb. 22, 1772, d. 1839, m. Margaret Adams, b. 1780.
4. Hugh Watson. Bethel, S. C.
5. William Watson, b. 1778, d. 1854, m. Margaret Parks, d. 1866.
6. James Watson, b. 1782, d. 1864. Bethel, S. C.



III. Abigail McDowell, b. 1740, d. Oct. 5, 1805, m. Gen. Robert McLeary, b. 1736, d. Mar. 25, 1791. Both are buried at Steele Creek Presbyterian Church.

Children. (Mentioned in the estate papers of Robert McLeary.)

1. Mary McLeary, b. Sept. 15, 1765, d. 1852, m. May 28, 1783, Josiah Martin, b. 1756, d. Sept. 17, 1831, in Tenn.
2. Isabella McLeary, m. Rev. William Cummins Davis.
3. James McLeary, m. 1st. Dec. 15, 1800, Jane Harbin, b. 1781, d. Nov. 19, 1818.  
m. 2nd. Feb. 27, 1822, Elizabeth Boyd.
4. Margaret McLeary, b. Feb. 25, 1772, d. Dec. 6, 1846, m. Jan. 24, 1797, Zenus Alexander, b. 1771, d. May 26, 1826.
5. Andrew McLeary, m. Feb. 9, 1796, Prudence Alexander.
6. Eleanor McLeary, m. Nov. 14, 1804, Robert Montgomery of Mecklenburg Co.
7. Samuel McLeary, m. Elizabeth Smith.
8. Abigail McLeary, m. John Calhoun.

IV. John McDowell, b. 1743, in Lancaster Co., Pa., d. July 30, 1795. He is buried with his family in the Steele Creek Cemetery. On his tombstone is the McDowell coat-of-arms. m. Jean Parks, b. 1747, d. Oct. 8, 1824.

Children.

1. John McDowell, b. Mar. 1775, d. Nov. 31, 1843, m. Sept. 2, 1799, Rebecca Davis, b. 1780, d. May 14, 1859.
2. James McDowell.
3. Hugh McDowell, b. 1778, d. May 16, 1835, m. Margaret Irwin, b. 1785, d. May 3, 1838, a daughter of Gen. Robert Irwin a signer of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.
4. Margaret McDowell, b. Apr. 6, 1782, d. June 7, 1846, m. Richard Barry, b. 1765, d. Feb. 22, 1815.
5. Mary McDowell, d. Oct. 17, 1796. Age 12 years.
6. Jean McDowell, d. Oct. 15, 1796. Age 9 years.

Land Grants in the office of the Sec. of State.

(Mecklenburg lies south of the Granville Line)

Bk. 2, p. 113. Mary McDowell secured a grant from the Province of N. C. for 320 acres of land lying in Anson County on the N. side of the Catawba River and on the So. side of Sugaw Creek, issued Jan. 28, 1754.

#### Mecklenburg County Deeds.

Bk. 10, p. 29. On May 16, 1778 Mary McDowell deeded to John McDowell 320 acres of land lying on the N. side of the Catawba River and on the So. side of Sugaw Creek, granted to Mary McDowell on Jan. 28, 1754.



Will of Abigail McLeary, d. 1805.

Abigail McLeary, in her Mecklenburg County will, signed May 26, 1805, left her slaves to her three sons, requesting that they be divided by families "bearing in mind that it is my wish that the negroes be not parted until death parts them." She added, "the remainder of my property to be divided amongst all of my daughters as if they were named." Samuel Watson was a witness to her will.

Will of John McDowell, d. 1795.

John McDowell, in his Mecklenburg County will, proved in 1795, left legacies to his wife and to his six children; John, James, Hugh, Margaret, Mary and Jean. He appointed his wife and his brother-in-law Samuel Watson, to be his executors.

Among the estate papers of John McDowell, now in the State Archives, are the following bills.

October 21st, 1796

	£	s.	p.	
Received of Jean McDowell	1	17	6	for five yards of linen

for winding Sheets for her two daughters.

	S.	p.	
Received also	7	6	for planks for Coffins for the same.

Received by me.

Jas. Shrott.

Received of Jean McDowell two dollars for making Coffins for her two Daughters.

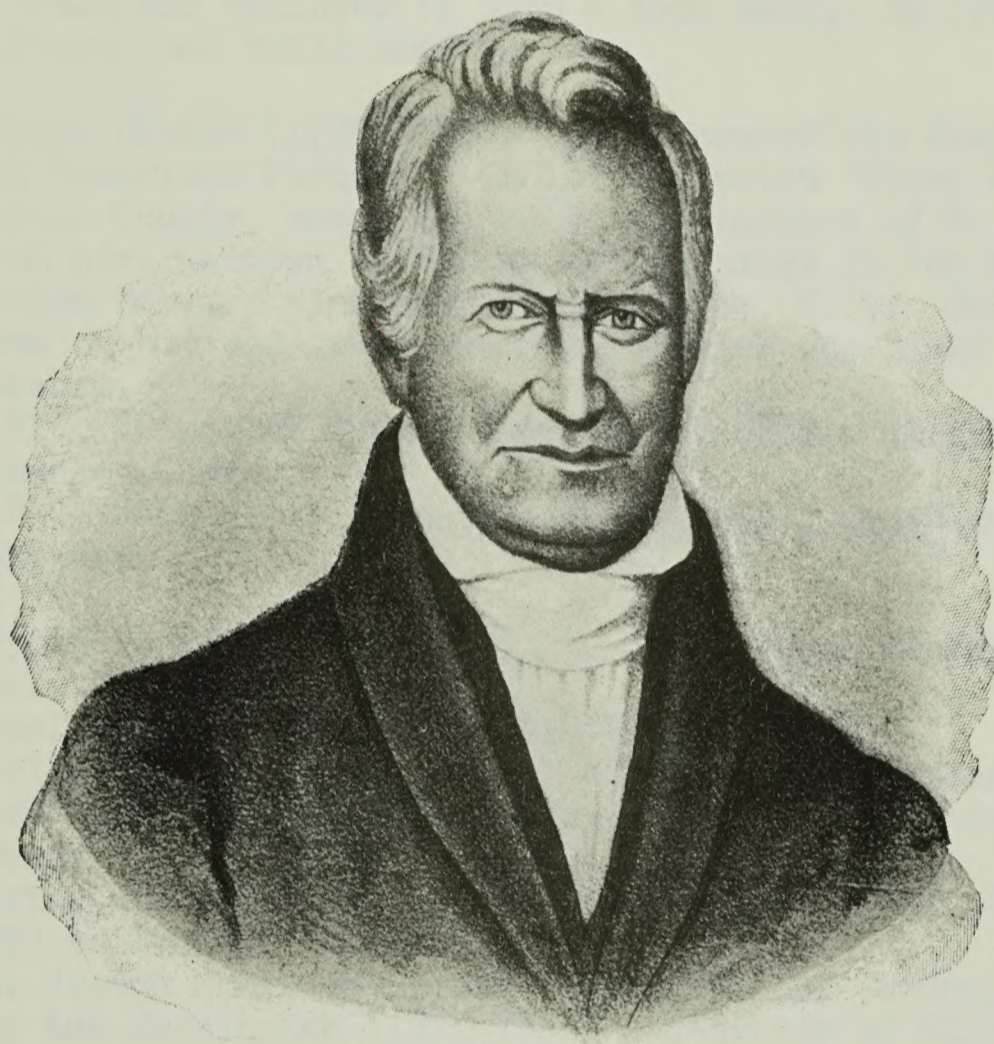
John Berryhill.

1770  
In Memorium

Jane Parks, wife of Captain John McDowell, who rode ten perilous miles to notify American Camp of the British evacuation of Charlotte

Erected by the Mecklenburg Chapter, D. A. R.





GEN. JOSEPH GRAHAM



Major-General Joseph Graham, b. Oct. 13, 1759, d. Nov. 12, 1836. He was born in Chester County, Penn. and came to Mecklenburg County, N. C., at the age of seven. He was a "looker on" when the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence was read at the Courthouse door; a major in the Revolution and a general in the War of 1812. In 1791 Major John Davidson and his sons-in-law, Joseph Graham and Alexander Brevard, built Vesuvius Furnace and afterwards Mt. Tirzah Forge in Lincoln County where they manufactured iron. Gen. Graham built a residence at Vesuvius and Capt. Brevard built one at Mt. Tirzah. Both buildings are still standing. Vesuvius is shown in Early Architecture. Gen. Graham and his family are buried at Machpelah.

m. 1787, Isabella Davidson, b. 1764, d. Jan. 15, 1808. She was called the most beautiful of Major Davidson's daughters.

Children.

- I. Polly Graham (1788-1801). Upon the death of Polly Gen. Graham and Capt. Brevard selected a spot as a burying ground about mid-way between Vesuvius and Mt. Tirzah and enclosed it with a rock wall. In 1748 Machpelah Presbyterian Church was built nearby.

- II. John Davidson Graham (1790-1846). He succeeded his father in the manufacture of iron at Vesuvius Furnace. In 1825 he built "River View" near Beaties Ford, Lincoln County, shown in Early Architecture of N. C. A fascinating portrait of him, painted by Thomas Sully, hangs in the dining room of Mrs. Sidenham Brevard Alexander of Charlotte, N. C. Sully often visited at the home of his son-in-law John H. Wheeler who lived three miles from John D. Graham.

m. 1st, 1815, Elizabeth Epps Connor (1797-1836) a daughter of Ann Epps and Captain Charles Connor.

m. 2nd, 1840, Jane Eliza Johnston (1813-1883) a daughter of Mary Reid and Robert Johnston.

Children.

1. Mary Ann Graham (1816-1855), m. 1837, James Harvey Orr (1802-1845) of Charlotte, N. C.
2. Isabella Davidson Graham (1817-1831).
3. Charles Connor Graham (1819-1886) of Memphis, Tenn. m. 1846, Mary Eliza Mebane (1822-1894) a daughter of Celia Sutton and Alexander Mebane.
4. Melvina Sophia Graham (1821-1894), m. 1840, Col. John D. Young (1815-1809) of Iredell Co., N. C.
5. Maj. Joseph Montrose Graham (1823-1891) of Camden, Ark., m. 1845, Mary Ann Washington (1824-1888) a daughter of Elizabeth Heritage Cobb and John Washington.
6. Dr. Henry William Graham (1825-1857), d. s. p., of Camden, Ark.
7. Martha Caroline Graham (1827-1853), m. Peter King Rounsaville (1824-1867). She was buried at Camden, Ark.; he was buried in Ind.
8. James Franklin Graham (1836-1876), d. s. p. He was drowned in the Bay of San Francisco, Calif.
9. Elizabeth Pouthress Graham (1831-18), m. 1825, Col. John Sloan of Brenham, Texas.
10. Julia Adeline Graham (1833-1867), d. s. p., was buried at Brenham, Texas.
11. Dr. Alexander Hamilton Graham (1835- ), m. Mary Mason (1845- ). Lived at Leander, Texas.
12. John Davidson Graham (1841-1842).
13. Robert Clay Graham (1843-1911, m. 1877, Sally Prim (1859-1930). Lived at "River View," Lincoln County, N. C.



III. Sophia Graham (1791-1865), m. 1815, Dr. John Ramsey Witherspoon (1774-1852), Lived at Lexington, Ky., and in Hale County, Ala.

Children.

1. Elizabeth Isabella Witherspoon (1816-1884), m. 1839, Judge Henry Barnes Goldthwite (1802-1847). Lived at Mobile, Ala.
2. John James Witherspoon (1818-1847), a lieutenant in the Mexican War. D. s. p.
3. Joseph Graham Witherspoon (1820-1852). D. s. p.
4. Dr. Robert Sidney Witherspoon, M. C., (1823-1894), m. 1859, Mrs. Mary (Torrence) Bratton (1830-1899), a daughter of Margaret Allison and Richard Torrence. Lived at Gallatin, Tenn.
5. Capt. Thomas Franklin Witherspoon (1825-1909), m. 1851, Catherine Elizabeth Hatch (1829-1905) a daughter of Martha Hill Dixon and Rev. Lemuel Hatch. Lived in Ky. and Tenn.
6. Mary Sophia Witherspoon (1829-1880), m. 1856, Charles Denslow Dickey (1820- ) of New York, N. Y.
7. William Alfred Witherspoon (1830-1861) Mobile, Ala., m. 1852, Tarifa Cocke, (1831-1896), a daughter of Commodore Harrison Cocke and Elizabeth Ruffin.
8. Ann Louisa Witherspoon (1832-1891), m. 1852, Dr. William H. Anderson (1820-1887), Mobile, Ala.

IV. James Graham (1793-1851), d. s. p. He represented the Mountain District in Congress from 1833 until 1843 and from 1845 until 1847. Lived in Rutherford and Lincoln Counties, N. C.

V. Dr. George Franklin Graham (1794-1827), m. 1825, Martha Ann Harris (1805-1877), a daughter of Charles Harris and Mrs. Ann (Epps) Connor. Lived in Memphis, Tenn. He died of yellow fever, contracted from a professional visit to a sick person on a steamboat en route from New Orleans to St. Louis.

James Graham brought Mrs. Graham and her child to Vesuvius where they resided with Gen. Graham until Mrs. Graham's second marriage.

Child.

1. Ann Eliza Graham (1826-1881), m. 1846, Col. William Johnston (1817-1896) of Charlotte, N. C.

VI. Joseph Graham (1797-1837), of Memphis, Tenn. m. 1837, Sarah Kimbrough (1810-1843), a daughter of Lydia Ann Jones and John Kimbrough.

Children.

1. George C. Graham (1829-1899) of Memphis, Tenn, m. 1st. 1849, Alabama Record (1831-1850). m. 2nd 1855, Mrs. Jennie Perkins (d. 1868). m. 3rd 1872, Maria Jones Daniels (1846-1930) a daughter of William Daniels and Dollie Alston.
2. Lydia Ann Graham (1832-1898), m. 1851, William C. Rutland (1830-1881) of Memphis, Tenn.
3. Albert Kimbrough Graham (1833-1910) of Memphis, m. 1871, Evelina Marshall (1846-1876) a daughter of Elizabeth Richardson and Dr. James Marshall.
4. Sophia Graham (1835-1853), d. s. p.
5. Joseph Graham (1837-1918) of Memphis, Tenn., m. 1870, Mrs. Sallie (Todd) Alston (1843-1893), a daughter of Dr. Thomas H. Todd and Mary Burchett.



VII. Robert Montrose Graham (1798-1821), d. s. p. Injured by a fall from a horse, he committed suicide near the "White Oak Spring" one-half mile from "Cottage Home" while the land was still a part of "Vesuvius" plantation.

VIII. Violet Winslow Wilson Graham (1799-1868), m. 1821, Dr. Moses Winslow Alexander, M. D., (1798-1845), of Mecklenburg County, N. C. Both were great-great-grandchildren of Mary and Benjamin Winslow mentioned on page 53.50. Children.

1. Dovey Adelaide Winslow Alexander (1823-1875), m. 1846, Rev. H. B. Cunningham (1817-1877).
2. James Graham Alexander (1824-1840).
3. Junius Montrose Alexander (1826-1855), d. s. p.
4. Isabella Louisa Alexander (1827-1902), m. Dr. William James Hayes, M. D., (1821-1898).
5. Hamilton LaFayette Alexander (1829-1885), d. s. p.
6. Mary Sophia Alexander (1831-1916), d. s. p.
7. Emily Eugenia Alexander (1832-1844).
8. Eliza Rosinda Alexander (1834-1855), d. s. p.
9. Julia Susan Alexander (1837-1905), m. 1859 Major Thomas McGehee Smith (1834-1864).
10. Wister Winslow Alexander (1838-1853).
11. Capt. Sidenham Benoni Alexander (1840-1921). M. C. m. 1st. 1872, Emma Pauline Nicholson (1848-1880), a granddaughter of Temperance Davis and William Thorne mentioned on page 68. m. 2nd., 1885, Louise Perry (1861-1890).
12. Alice Leonora Alexander (1843-1905), m. 1889, Dr. George W. Graham (1847-1923).

IX. Mary Graham (1801-1864), m. 1824, Dr. Robert Hall Morrison, D. D., (1798-1889). Children. (See p.7.)

X. Alfred Graham (1803-1834), d. s. p. He emigrated to Tennessee to join his brothers, Joseph and George Franklin Graham but returned to North Carolina in 1834. In that year Gen. Graham transferred the iron works to his sons Alfred and John D. Graham but Alfred died of tuberculosis soon after reaching "Vesuvius."

XI. Gov. William Alexander Graham (1804-1875) of Hillsboro, N. C. He was a U. S. Senator; Governor of N. C. 1845-1849; Secretary of the Navy 1850-1852; C. S. A. Senator 1863-1865; elected U. S. Senator by a vote of the Legislature in 1866 but was denied admission by Congress. m. 1836, Susannah Sarah Washington (1816-1890), a daughter of John Washington and Elizabeth Heritage Cobb. Children.

1. Dr. Joseph Graham, M. D., (1837-1907), of Charlotte, N. C. m. 1859, Elizabeth Hill (1838-1912), daughter of Thomas Blount Hill and Maria Simpson.
2. Major John W. Graham (1838-1928) of Hillsboro., m. 1st. Mrs. Rebecca (Cameron) Anderson (1840-1883), daughter of Paul C. Cameron and Anne Ruffin. m. 2nd. 1887, Margaret Forrester Bailey (1861-1843), daughter of Abram J. Bailey and Clyde Martin.
3. Maj. William A. Graham (1839-1924) of Lincoln County and Raleigh, N. C. m. 1st. 1864, Julia Lane (1845-1909), dau. of John Wayles Lane and Julia Robertson. m. 2nd. 1914, Sallie Hill Clark (1864-1936) dau. of Gen. David Clark and Anne Thorne.



4. Capt. James A. Graham (1841-1909), Washington, D. C., m. 1869, Elizabeth C. Webb (1845-1915) dau. of James Webb and Sarah E. Cheshire.
5. Capt. Robert D. Graham (1843-1904) d. s. p., of Washington, D. C.
6. Dr. George W. Graham (1847-1923), Charlotte, N. C.  
m. 1st. 1873, Sallie S. Shaver (1847-1887).  
m. 2nd. 1889, Alice L. Alexander (1843-1905).  
m. 3rd. 1910, Imogene Tunstall (d. 1953).
7. Judge Augustua W. Graham (1849-1936), Oxford, N. C. m. 1876, Lucy Anna Horner (1855-1936), dau. of James H. Horner and Sophronia Moore.
8. Susan Washington Graham (1851-1909). m. 1874, Chief-Justice Walter Clark (1846-1924) of Raleigh, N. C. (See p. 68.)
9. Alfred Octavius Graham (1853-1854).
10. Eugene Berrien Graham (1858-1863).

XII. Isabella Graham (1806-1807).

### Memoirs of Gen. Joseph Graham

Gen. Joseph Graham attended Queen's Museum, later called Liberty Hall, Charlotte, N. C. He was a student there when the Declaration of Independence was signed and was present when the document was read from the Courthouse door. He was elected a member of the State Senate from Mecklenburg County for the years 1788 - '89 - '90 - '92; and he was among those who voted "yes" when the Constitution was ratified at the Convention which met at Fayetteville, Nov. 1889. In later life he contributed a great many articles to the magazines and newspapers of his day.

"July 16, 1805. The new house for the girl's Boarding School was dedicated this day. It will have room for about sixty daughters and the necessary Sisters."

"Dec. 13, 1805. Mr. Joseph Graham, of Lincoln County, this state, to-day, brought his daughter Sophia for instruction in our Boarding School. During the Revolutionary War when a party of militia from Wilkes County threatened to destroy Salem, this Mr. Graham, then an officer in the militia, acted in a most friendly manner and by urgent representation to his general and to the leaders of the Wilkes militia averted the calamity."

Records of the Moravians<sup>an</sup>.

"A good portrait of Gen. Graham may be seen at "Cottage Home," the residence of Rev. R. H. Morrison, in the Unity Congregation, Lincoln County. The picture represents a fine bold forehead, blue eyes, thin lips, with the shoulders and chest of a robust man of middle statue. The features of the face indicate calmness, kindness and decision. You would not expect the original easily to be made angry or alarmed, or driven from his purpose. And the unvarying testimony of all that knew him is that his face was an index of his heart."

William Henry Foote.



Vesuvius Furnace, 4th October, 1830.

Dear Sir: - Agreeable to your request, I will give you the details of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence on the 20th of May, 1775, as well as I can recollect after a lapse of fifty-five years. I was then a lad about half grown, was present on that occasion (a looker-on.)

On the 20th of May, 1775, besides the two persons elected from each military company, (usually called Committee-men) a much larger number of citizens attended in Charlotte than at any former meeting - perhaps half the men in the county. The news of the battle of Lexington, the 19th of April preceding, had arrived. There appeared among the people much excitement. The committee were organized in the Court-house by appointing Abraham Alexander, Esq., Chairman, and John McKnitt Alexander, Esq., Clerk or Secretary of the meeting.

Dr. Ephraim Brevard, a Mr. Kennon, an attorney, and a third person whom I do not recollect were appointed a sub-committee to draft their Declaration. They retired from the Court-house for sometime; but the committee continued in session.

The sub-committee appointed to draft the resolutions returned and Dr. Ephraim Brevard read their report, as near as I can recollect, in the very words we have since seen them several times in print. It was unanimously adopted. The foregoing is all from personal knowledge. I understood afterwards that Captain James Jack, then of Charlotte, undertook, on the request of the committee, to carry a copy of their proceedings to Congress, which then sat in Philadelphia. At Salisbury two lawyers, John Dunn and a Mr. Booth, - - - endeavored to have Captain Jack detained - - - . He drew his pistols and passed on. The news of this reached Charlotte and the Mecklenburg Committee of Safety ordered a party of ten or twelve armed men to bring said Lawyers from Salisbury - - - . Dunn, on giving security and making fair promises, was permitted to return home and Booth was sentenced to go to Camden, S. C. My brother George Graham and the late Col. John Carruth were of the party that went to Salisbury and they and two others took Booth to Camden. This was the first military expedition from Mecklenburg in the Revolutionary War, and believed to be the first anywhere in the South.

Yours respectfully,

J. Graham.

Dr. Joseph McKnitt Alexander, Mecklenburg, N. Carolina



Hillsboro, N. C.  
April 6th, 1868.

Hon. Edward Stanley,

This will introduce to you my nephew Joseph G. Morrison of Lincoln, N. C., who goes out to find a home on the distant shores of the Pacific. Like most of the youth of the South, he saw some service and suffered some damage in the late disastrous war, a portion of it, while an officer on the staff of Genl. T. J. Jackson, who married his sister. His father is the Rev. Robt. H. Morrison, D. D., who was sometime president of Davidson College, a Presbyterian divine, who was a classmate at our University of President Poke, Bishop Green and Robt. Donaldson.

The bearer is a young man of exceptional nobility and morals, and I shall feel especially indebted, for any advice or other kind of offices you may be pleased to extend him in a land of strangers. He is fitted for any clerkly business or active employment where diligence, integrity or energy may be required.

I believe I have failed earlier to acknowledge your favor written on receipt of my discourse in memory of our late friends Mr. Badger, Judge Curtis and Mr. Winthrop.

Our state is in much excitement on the eve of our election for ratification or rejection of a constitution framed under the dictation of the majority in congress by a convention of Yankees and Negroes. Nearly all of our men of respectability or note are against it, and I trust we shall be able to reject it. But as every negro 21 years of age is allowed to vote, the majority will not be great. Think of Holden and Rodman, the one a candidate for Governor and the other for Judge of the Supreme Court being the leaders of a negro party, and for excellence "union men."

I shall be at all times pleased to receive a line from you, and to render any office of friendship, and beg that you will believe me,

Very truly and faithfully yours,

W. A. Graham.



James Graham b. 1714, d. 1763, was born in Ireland of Scotch ancestors.

Gen. Joseph Graham, in an obituary of his brother Gen. George Graham who died in 1826, stated: "By tradition in the family James Graham was a descendant of a kinsman and a follower of the celebrated James Graham, Marquis of Montrose, who made a conspicuous figure in the civil wars of Scotland in the reign of Charles I, and when the English army prevailed in Scotland, Montrose fled to Holland and his adherents, among whom was a clan of Grahams, passed over to the north of Ireland, where their descendants yet reside."

In 1733 James Graham emigrated from the north of Carlingford Bay, County Downs, Ireland to Pennsylvania. He died in London Britain Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania. His will is recorded in the courthouse at West Chester, Chester County, Pa.

m. 1st.

Name unknown.

Children.

I. James Graham.

II. Henry Graham, d. 1764, d. s. p. Lived in Chester County, Pennsylvania.

III. Charles Graham, d. 1800.

IV. Elizabeth Graham, m. James Hennery.

V. Mary Graham, m. Lewis Morgan.

VI. William Graham.

m. 2nd. 1755,

Mrs. Mary (McConnell) Barber, b. 1720, d. July 7, 1791, a widow with one child, Esther Barber. About 1767 Mrs. Graham, with her five young children, moved to North Carolina and settled near Charlotte in Mecklenburg County.

In 1771 she bought a tract of 200 acres of land on the Beattie's Ford road, three miles from Charlotte. She died there and is buried in the old Sugaw Creek graveyard. In 1861 her tombstone was found leaning against the wall of the cemetery. Her grandchildren had it placed by that of her son George in the cemetery back of the First Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, N. C.

Children.

VII. Dr. John Graham, M. D., (1756-1813), Williamsburg Co., S. C.

m. Mary \_\_\_\_\_ (1765-1812). No children.

An article on Queen's Museum, published in Forte's Sketches, states that the only degree of the institution then known to be in existence was the one awarded to John Graham in 1778 which was then at "Vesuvius." John Graham graduated in medicine from the University of Pennsylvania in 1786 and settled in Williamsburg Co., S. C.

VIII. Major General George Graham (1756-1826). Lived in Mecklenburg County, N. C.

m. 1st. 1783, Frances Cathey (1763-1796), daughter of Frances and George Cathey.

m. 2nd. 1802, Mrs. Lydia Potts (1763-1848).

Children.

1. John Graham (1785-1826) d. s. p. Mecklenburg Co., N. C.

2. George Graham (1787-1799).

3. Mary Graham (1790-1865), m. 1816, George Carruthers (1790-1829), Mecklenburg Co., N. C.



4. Elizabeth Caroline Graham (1793-1843), m. 1817, William Bostwick (1795-1841), Lamar, Miss.
5. Jane Graham (1794-1869), m. 1814, William Eliot McRee (1792-1841). Lived in Mecklenburg Co., N. C.
6. Francis Cathey Graham (1796-1801).

IX. Major General Joseph Graham (1759-1836) of Mecklenburg and Lincoln Counties, N. C., m. 1787, Isabella Davidson (1764-1808).  
Children. (See p. 31).

X. Sarah Graham (1761-1825), m. 1779, Robert Allison (1750-1804). Cabarrus Co., N. C.  
Children.

1. William Allison (1780-1816), of Cabarrus Co., N. C., m. 1805, Margaret Young (1784-1850).
2. James Allison (1782-1830), Cabarrus Co., N. C., m. 1812, Mary Allison (1783-1851).
3. Thomas Allison (1785-1854), Cabarrus Co., N. C., m. 1810, Sarah Young (1790-1847).
4. Mary Allison (1787-1817), m. 1805, James Young (1777-1850), Cabarrus Co., N. C.
5. Anne Allison (1790-1817) m. 1808, Thomas Hope (1783-1831).
6. John Graham Allison (1794-1827), m. 1825, Almira Johnston (1806-1827).
7. Robert Allison (1797-1799).
8. Sarah Allison (1800-1827), m. 1826, William Cook Johnston (1804- ).

XI. Ann Graham (1763-1840), m. 1789, Thomas Barnett (d. 1832) of Mecklenburg Co., N. C. She died in Henderson Co., Tenn.  
Children.

1. Nancy Barnett (1790-1854), m. Isaac Price (1787-1813) of Mecklenburg Co., N. C.
2. Thomas Barnett (1791- ).
3. Ann Barnett (1793- ), m. Benjamin Person, of Madison Co., Tenn.
4. Sarah Barnett (1795-1882), m. 1825, Charles Elms (1792-1839), of Mecklenburg Co., N. C.
5. Elizabeth Graham Barnett (1797- ), m. William A. Meachum (1795- ) of Madison Co., Tenn.

Note - Most of this data given on the family of Gen. Joseph Graham and the family of James Graham was gotten from a James Graham chart made by William A. Graham Clark, of Washington, D. C., a son of Chief-Justice Walter Clark mentioned on page 30. 34.



Major John Davidson, b. Dec. 15, 1735, d. Jan. 10, 1833. He was born in Pennsylvania, came to North Carolina with his mother when a youth, living first in Rowan County and settling in Mecklenburg County in 1760. He was one of the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. He served during the Revolutionary War as a major under Col. Thomas Polk in the North Carolina militia. With his sons-in-law Alexander Brevard and Joseph Graham he manufactured iron in Lincoln County. His first home was called "Rural Retreat". He built "Rural Hill" on the same lot in 1788 and he is buried with his wife and most of his children in the family cemetery nearby.  
m. June 2, 1761,

Violet Winslow Wilson, b. Aug. 13, 1742, in Lunenburg Co. Va., d. Dec. 3, 1818.

Children.

- I. Rebecca Davidson, b. Mar. 20, 1762, d. Nov. 24, 1824, m. 1784, Capt. Alexander Brevard, b. 1755, d. 1829, a son of John Brevard and Jane McWhorter and a brother of Dr. Ephraim Brevard, author of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. Lived at "Mt. Tirzah", Lincoln County, N. C.

Children.

1. Eliza Brevard married William Edward Hayes.
2. Ephraim A. Brevard never married.
3. J. Franklin Brevard married Margaret Connor.
4. Harriet Brevard married Daniel Forney, member of Congress. Built "Ingleside" shown in both Old Homes and Gardens and in Early Architecture of N. C. Moved to Ala.
5. Robert "Robin" Brevard married Harriet Davidson. Built the newer house called "Mt. Tirzah", both in the same stone walled yard and both still standing in 1956. Only four people have occupied this second house.
6. Joseph Brevard married Keziah Hopkins.
7. Theodore Brevard married Caroline Mays.
8. Mary Brevard married Richard Trapier Brumby. Senator Richard Brevard Russell is a great-grandson of theirs.

- II. Isabella Davidson, b. Sept. 21, 1764, d. Jan. 15, 1808, m. 1787, Gen. Joseph Graham, b. Oct. 13, 1759, d. Nov. 12, 1836.

Children. (See p. 31.)

- III. Mary Davidson, b. Dec. 13, 1766, d. Mar. 12, 1862, m. 1792, Dr. William Maclean, b. 1757, d. 1828. Both are buried at Bethel Church, York Co., S. C.  
Children.

1. Richard Dobbs Maclean married Jane Adams.
2. Elizabeth Maclean married William Campbell.
3. Alexander A. Maclean married Catherine Schenck.
4. John Davidson Maclean married 1st. Jane Davidson; married 2nd. Martha Biggers.
5. Violet Wilson Maclean married 1st. Samuel Lindsay; married 2nd. John Hart.
6. Dr. William Bain Maclean married 1st. Amanda Hill a sister of Gen. D. H. Hill; married 2nd. Mrs. Cornelia (Hope) Stringfellow; married 3rd. Mrs. Jane (Johnston) Graham, widow of John D. Graham. He lived near Lowesville, N. C.
7. Thomas B. Maclean married 1st. Harriet Pegram; married 2nd. Elmira Salmon.
8. Rebecca Isabella Maclean married Dr. Isaac Wilson.
9. Mary M. Maclean married Randolph Erwin.
10. Robert H. G. Maclean married 1st. Emma McNeal; married 2nd. Catherine Sandifer.



IV. Robert "Robin" Davidson, b. Apr. 7, 1769, d. June 14, 1853, m. Jan. 1, 1801, Peggy Osborne, b. 1776, d. 1864. In his will Robin Davidson left an oil portrait of himself and \$10,000 to each nephew who was a namesake of his. He also ordered that a black broadcloth suit should be made by a tailor for each of his men servants.

V. Violet Davidson, b. Aug. 27, 1771, d. Oct. 26, 1821, m. Aug. 25, 1791, William Bain Alexander, b. 1764, d. 1844, a son of John McKnitt Alexander who was a signer of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

Children.

1. Joseph McKnitt Alexander married Nancy Cathey.
2. Jane Bain Alexander married John Sharp.
3. Robert Davidson Alexander married Abigail Caldwell.
4. Margaret D. Alexander married David Henderson.
5. William Bain Alexander married Theresa Alexander.
6. John R. Alexander married Harriet Henderson.
7. Rebecca Eloise Alexander married Marshall R. McCoy.
8. Benjamin Wilson Alexander married Elvira McCoy.
9. Sarah Davidson Alexander never married.
10. James McKnitt Alexander married Mary L. Wilson.
11. George W. Alexander married 1st. Sarah Harris; married 2nd. Minerva Gillespie; married 3rd. Sallie Jetton.
12. Violet E. Alexander married Dr. Isaac Wilson.
13. Mary Abigail Alexander married Kerns H. Robinson.
14. Isabella S. Alexander married Dr. Calvin S. Wier.

VI. Sarah Davidson, b. June 13, 1774, d. Feb. 3, 1854, m. Oct. 9, 1794, Rev. Alexander Caldwell, b. 1769, d. 1841.

Children.

1. Martha Caldwell married Col. John Howard Davidson (See p. 45)
2. John H. Caldwell married Mary Springs.
3. David A. Caldwell married Mrs. Martha B. Caldwell.

VII. Margaret Davidson, b. Feb. 8, 1777, d. July 30, 1830, m. Dec. 10, 1813, James Harris. Moved to Alabama.

Child.

1. Violet Harris.

VIII. John "Jackie" Davidson, b. Nov. 12, 1779, d. Apr. 26, 1870, m. Nov. 11, 1800, Sarah Harper Brevard, b. 1780, d. 1864, a daughter of Adam Brevard and Mary Winslow and a granddaughter of Benjamin Winslow, Jr.

Children.

1. John M. W. Davidson married Mary Sylvester.
2. Mary Davidson married George W. Doby.
3. Violet Davidson married Joseph H. Sylvester.
4. Adam Brevard Davidson married 1st. Mary Laura Springs; married 2nd. Cornelia Elmore.
5. Robert H. M. Davidson never married.
6. Isabella Davidson married J. Warren Moore.
7. Augusta Davidson never married.
8. William Maclean Davidson married 1st. Jane Torrence; married 2nd. Rebecca Reid; married 3rd. Mary Johnston.
9. Edward Constantine Davidson married Jane Henderson.
10. Sarah Davidson never married.

IX. Elizabeth "Betsy" Lee Davidson, b. Sept. 15, 1784, d. Apr. 27, 1845, m. Oct. 30, 1805, William Lee Davidson, b. 1781, d. 1862, a son of Gen. William Davidson who fell in the battle of Cowan's Ford, Feb. 1, 1781, and for whom Davidson College was named. "Billy Lee" Davidson was one of the



largest contributors in land and money to the original fund raised for the institution.

No children.

- X. Benjamin "Independence Ben" Wilson Davidson, b. May 20, 1787, d. Sept. 25, 1829, m. Aug. 1818, Elizabeth Latta, b. 1797, d. 1838. Both are buried at Hopewell Church, Mecklenburg Co., N. C.

Children.

1. Robert Franklin Davidson married Eliza McCombs.
2. John R. Davidson married Eugenia McConnonghy.
3. James Latta Davidson married Sarah Springs.
4. William Lee Davidson married Annie Pegram.
5. Joseph M. Davidson married Mary Caldwell.
6. Benjamin Howard Davidson married Kate London.

### The Homes of Major John Davidson

#### "Rural Retreat"

Major John Davidson's first home, called "Rural Retreat" was built, ca. 1760, in the Hopewell neighborhood, Mecklenburg County. It was a two room cabin of heart pine logs. Before it went up in flames, in 1898, it had become an eight room residence, a story and a half high. It was the third home that John Springs Davidson lost by fire, the second having been the great Georgian brick house known as "Rural Hill" which stood a few hundred yards south of the log house. (My mother and I once spent several days at "Rural Retreat.")

#### An Old Time Residence Burned

News reached the city yesterday evening that the old Davidson house in Hopewell had been destroyed by fire. Mr. J. Springs Davidson, the owner, was here at the fair when the messenger arrived. The house was a large and splendid brick building built in 1788 by Major John Davidson, great-grandfather of Mr. J. S. Davidson.

The Charlotte Chronicle Nov. 5, 1886.

#### Burning of "Rural Hill" Homestead

The old Davidson residence, the finest country home in Mecklenburg County, was destroyed by fire yesterday. It was built in the year 1788, by Major Davidson and occupied at the time of its destruction by John Springs Davidson. The house was built of brick and was considered to have been the finest residence in all this section of the State.

The Charlotte Observer. Nov. 5, 1886.



### "Bever Dam"

It has been said that the well established seldom migrate. Major Davidson's three sons, settled on plantations adjoining "Rural Hill" and except for his daughter Margaret, who moved to Alabama, all of his children lived within visiting distance of him. Five years after the death of his wife he went to live with his youngest daughter Betsy and her husband William Lee Davidson at "Bever Dam" near Davidson, N. C. He died there nine years later at the age of 97. (Davidson College was built in 1837 on "Bever Dam" farm.)

### A Visitor at "Rural Hill"

About 1868 Jennie Davis, who had attended a boarding school in Statesville, with the Davidson twins, Amanda and Isabella, visited them at "Rural Hill". They were the daughters of Adam Brevard Davidson (and sisters of John Springs Davidson) and his father, old Uncle Jackie Davidson, then about ninety, was living with him. While she was at "Rural Hill" she met their cousin, Joe Morrison.



Robert Davidson was a native of Scotland and married near Dundee. He and his wife immigrated to Pennsylvania and he died in that province.

Isabella Ramsey is buried in an unmarked grave in Baker's Graveyard near Davidson, N. C.

Children.

- I. Major John Davidson, b. Dec. 15, 1735, d. Jan. 10, 1832, m. June 2, 1761, Violet Winslow Wilson, b. Aug. 15, 1742, d. Dec. 3, 1818.

Children. (See p. 39).

- II. Mary Davidson. Her descendants believe that she is buried at Gilead A. R. P. Church of which she was a member. m. James Price, lived in Iredell County, N. C. In his old age he moved, with his children, to Kentucky and he died, after 1811, in that state. A small notebook in which he recorded the name and date of birth of each of his children is now in possession of one of his descendants.

Children.

1. John Davidson Price, b. Mar. 26, 1765, d. Nov. 28, 1799, m. Jane Beatty, d. 1798. Mecklenburg Co., N. C.
2. Robert Price, b. Nov. 23, 1767. Moved to Warren Co., Ky.
3. Rachel Price, b. Aug. 26, 1769, d. Feb. 18, 1840, m. Dec. 20, 1792, John Bell, b. 1750, d. July 24, 1817, in Mecklenburg Co., N. C.
4. Isabella Price, b. May 6, 1771, m. Dec. 13, 1794, Isaiah Steely. Moved to Ky.
5. Ann Price, b. Mar. 8, 1774.
6. James Price, b. May 21, 1776, m. Nov. 28, 1800, Sarah Gillespie, Montgomery Co., Ky.
7. William Price, b. Feb. 9, 1778, m. Apr. 8, 1800, Mary Potts. Bedford Co., Tenn.
8. Margaret Price, b. Feb. 2, 1781.
9. Thomas Price, b. Sept. 8, 1783, d. May 13, 1817, m. Sarah Duckworth, b. Aug. 17, 1787, d. May 4, 1845. Mecklenburg Co., N. C.

#### Memory's Mirror

A M.S. notebook by Mrs. "Stonewall" Jackson

"My Davidson ancestors were what is known in the Scotch kirk as Seceders - they opposed the introduction of any hymns in the Church service, save those of the inspired David.

Robert Davidson and his wife Isabella Ramsey came, I am told, from the neighborhood of Dundee, Scotland. He was a man of wealth and made the voyage across the Atlantic accompanied by two servants. But his charming wife loved to spend rather than to save money and, in process of time, his fair estate was squandered and he died a bankrupt. He left two children, John (my great-grandfather) and a daughter named Mary. His widow, still young and attractive, married Mr. Henry Hendry a gentleman of fine education and talents. My youngest grand-aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Lee Davidson, used to say that she remembered her grandmother beautiful, even in old age, stately in manner, and elegant in dress".



Samuel Wilson, b. 1710, d. Mar. 13, 1778, was a native of Leeds, England. He lived for several years in Lunenburg County, Va., and moved from there to what is now Mecklenburg County, N. C., where he settled in the autumn of 1750. He is buried in Baker's Graveyard near Davidson, N. C.  
m. 1st.

Mary Winslow, daughter of Mary and Benjamin Winslow.  
Children.

- I. Violet Winslow Wilson, b. Aug. 13, 1742, d. Dec. 3, 1818, m. June 2, 1761, Maj. John Davidson, b. Dec. 15, 1735, d. Jan. 10, 1832.  
Children. (See p. 39.)

- II. Benjamin Wilson, b. 1744, d. Aug. 4, 1800, m. Dec. 30, 1788, Margaret Bowman, d. 1814. On his tombstone in Baker's Graveyard is written, "An honest and kind husband".  
No children.

- III. Mary Winslow Wilson, b. 1746, d. Nov. 29, 1791, buried in the Polk family graveyard near Pineville, N. C.  
m. Ezekiel Polk, b. 1747, d. Aug. 31, 1824, in Hardeman County, Tenn. His second wife had no children who survived infancy. He married third, Sophia (Neely) Lennard and had four children by her. He moved his family to Tenn. in 1803.  
Children. (Legatees of Samuel Wilson, of Benjamin Wilson or gotten from Tenn. records.)
1. Thomas Polk, b. 1770, in Mecklenburg Co., N. C.
  2. Matilda Polk, b. 1770, a twin sister of Thomas Polk. m. 1792, John Campbell, d. 1816, in Maurey Co., Tenn.
  3. Samuel Wilson Polk, b. July 5, 1772, d. Dec. 3, 1727, m. Dec. 25, 1794, Jean Knox, b. 1776, d. 1825. They were the parents of President James K. Polk. They lived in Mecklenburg County, N. C., and then in Columbia, Tenn.
  4. Mary "Maria" Polk, d. ca. 1830, at Boliver, Tenn. m. Thomas Jones Hardeman, for whom Hardeman County, Tenn. was named.
  5. William Wilson Polk, b. Sept. 10, 1776, m. Elizabeth Dodd. Lived in Arkansas. According to a census taken in 1840, he was in that year the largest corn grower in the United States. Although nicknamed "Stingy Bill" he financed his nephews campaign for President.
  6. John Polk, d. 1804, in Robertson County, Tenn.
  7. Clarissa Polk, m. 1804, Thomas McNeel of Hardeman Co., Tenn.

- IV. Major David Wilson, b. 1748, in Lunenburg Co., Va. d. 1820, m. Sarah McConnel, a daughter of John McConnel, d. 1801.  
Children.

1. Samuel Wilson
2. Polly Wilson, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Waugh.
3. Moses Winslow Wilson, m. Feb. 16, 1815, Ann B. Torrence.
4. Hugh Lawson Wilson. Moved to Tenn. m. Sarah White.
5. Benjamin Wilson, d. 1820, m. Sept. 20, 1817, Mary Wilson, daughter of Samuel Wilson, Jr. Benjamin Wilson was murdered by Nixon Curry, a horse thief, because he was to appear in court as a witness against him.

- V. Samuel Wilson, Jr., b. June 20, 1750, in Lunenburg County, Va., d. Feb. 9, 1843, in Mecklenburg Co., N. C. m. Hannah Knox, b. 1769, a daughter of Patrick Knox.  
Children.

1. Rebecca Wilson, d. June 30, 1788, aged 8 months.



2. Mary Wilson, living in 1851, m. Sept. 20, 1817, Benjamin Wilson, d. 1820.
3. Violet Wilson, m. Aug. 25, 1812, John Pettus of York County, S. C.
4. Patsy Wilson, living in 1851, m. Hugh McKnight, Jr.
5. Jeff Wilson, living in 1851, m. May 30, 1855, Mary D. Prim.
6. Hannah Knox Wilson, d. Apr. 16, 1827, m. July 23, 1823, Benjamin Alexander, b. Apr. 15, 1800, d. 1829, in Madison County, Fla.

VI. Rebecca Wilson, m. John Henderson. Immigrating to Tennessee both were killed by Indians. Their two children escaped and were brought up by relatives in Hopewell, N. C.

1. Rebecca Henderson.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Henderson.

VII. John Wilson, b. 1752, d. June 12, 1795. D. s. p. He is buried in Baker's Graveyard near Davidson, N. C.

m. 2nd.

Mrs. Howard, a sister of John and William Potts and the mother of Margaret Wilson.

VIII. Margaret Wilson, b. Oct. 7, 1761, d. Jan. 25, 1840, in Centerville, Ala., at the home of her son Samuel W. Davidson.

m. John Davidson, b. Mar. 15, 1753, in Ireland, d. Jan. 19, 1797, in Mecklenburg County, N. C.

Children.

1. James Davidson, b. Dec. 28, 1787, d. in infancy.
2. Mary Davidson, b. Jan. 8, 1789, d. 1831, m. 1816, Dr. Thomas Crawford, b. 1785, d. 1844, of Centerville, Ala.
3. Samuel Wilson Davidson, b. Sept. 17, 1790, d. Mar. 4, 1836, of Centerville, Ala. m. Frances Stringfellow.
4. John Howard Davidson, b. Nov. 25, 1792, d. in Uniontown, Ala. m. Martha "Patsy" Caldwell.

m. 3rd. Apr. 6, 1768,

Margaret Jack, b. 1746, d. Feb. 12, 1804, a dau. of Patrick Jack and Lillis McAdoo and a sister of Capt. James Jack who was the bearer of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence to Congress.

IX. Sarah Wilson, b. Jan. 28, 1769, d. Oct. 8, 1802, m. Oct. 1, 1789, Benjamin McConnel, a son of John McConnel who died 1801.

Children.

1. Charity McConnel, m. William Reese Davidson. Moved to Gibson County, Tenn.
2. John Latta McConnel. Return of estate made by William Jack Wilson, May Term 1819.
3. Samuel Wilson McConnel. Moved to Tenn.

X. William Jack Wilson, will signed Aug. 12, 1833. m. Rocinda Winslow, daughter of Moses Winslow and Jeane Osborne.

Children.

1. James C. Wilson, m. Harriet McGee.
2. Lafayette W. Wilson. Moved to Tenn.
3. Robert F. Wilson. D. s. p.
4. Moses Winslow Wilson, b. Oct. 26, 1804, d. Oct. 30, 1805, buried in Baker's graveyard.
5. Dovey A. Wilson, m. Dr. Hamilton Dougherty.



XI. Lillis Wilson, b. Apr. 1, 1773, d. Sept. 23, 1844, m. Aug. 13, 1795, James Connor, b. 1754, in Ireland, d. Apr. 11, 1835. Both are buried at Baker's Children.

1. Charles D. Connor. Moved to Miss.
2. Henry Workman Connor, d. Jan. 1861, at Charleston, S. C.
3. Margaret Jack Connor, b. Nov. 29, 1796, d. Oct. 25, 1863, m. Aug. 15, 1820, J. Franklin Brevard, b. Dec. 5, 1788, d. Feb. 13, 1829, of Iredell County, N. C. (See p. 39.) Child.

1. Rebecca Brevard, m. Robert I. McDowell of Charlotte, N. C.

XII. Charity Wilson, d. age 16. Buried at Baker's graveyard.

XIII. Robert Wilson, b. 1778, d. Apr. 4, 1829, lived three miles from Hopewell Church, Mecklenburg Co., N. C.

m. Dec. 3, 1816, Margaret Alexander, 1793, d. Apr. 29, 1876.

Children.

1. Amelia Dovey Wilson, m. Judge George W. Logan, a member of the Confederate Congress, owned and lived near Chimney Rock, Rutherford County, N. C.
2. Margaret Jack Wilson, m. Jan. 25, 1837, Benjamin Bracken of McDowell County, N. C.
3. Cynthia Rocinda Wilson, b. Feb. 23, 1824, d. May 31, 1896, m. July 2, 1844, Joseph Wade Hampton, b. July 7, 1813, d. June 14, 1855.
4. Sarah Angelina Wilson, b. Mar. 26, 1825, d. Sept. 6, 1847.
5. Thomas Alexander Wilson, b. Dec. 11, 1827, d. Feb. 27, 1862, m. Sally Jones, d. Feb. 1862.



### Epitaph of Ezekiel Polk

"Here lies the dust of old E. P.  
An instance of mortality;  
Pennsylvania born, Carolina bred;  
In Tennessee died in his bed.  
His youthful days he spent in pleasure;  
His latter days, in gathering treasure;  
From superstition lived quite free.  
And practiced strict morality,  
To holy cheats was never willing,  
To give one solitary shilling.  
First fruits and tenths are odious things,  
And so are bishops, tithes and kings."

In 1821, in the seventy-fourth year of his age, Ezekiel Polk composed his own epitaph and requested that it be "carved on durable wood, and placed upright at my head, and a weeping willow planted at my feet." He died three years later and, fulfilling his wish, the marker was erected above his grave at Boliver, Tennessee, where it stood for ten years.

During the campaign of 1844 when James K. Polk, E. P.'s grandson, was running for president, Edward Polk, his half-uncle hurriedly removed the marker from his father's grave and replaced it with a stone monument. Polk was not a church member (and neither was Clay) and the family did not wish to provide inspiration for the charge of heathenism.

### Epitaph of Mary "Maria" Polk

Here unalarmed at Death's last Stroke  
Lies in this tomb Maria Polk  
A tender Mother virtuous Wife  
Resigned to every Scene of Life  
Truly pious without parade  
Where want appeared she lent her Aid  
To heavenly Courts she did repair  
May those she loved all meet her there.

Supported by the Hope of a happy Death and a glorious Resurrection to eternal Life she bore a tedious and painful Illness with a truly Christian Fortitude. The last Exercise of her feeble Voice was employed in singing the 33rd Hymn of the 2nd Book of Doctor Watts Composition.

Her mild and gentle Spirit was dismissed from its earthly mansion on the 29th Day of Nov. 1791, in the 45th year of her age.



Major Wilson was a merchant of Leeds, England.

Elizabeth Yates

Children.

- I. Samuel Wilson, b. 1710, d. Mar. 13, 1778 of Meck. Co., N. C.  
m. Mary Winslow.  
Children (See p. 44.)
- II. Benjamin <sup>Wilson</sup> Winslow, b. 1721, d. June 6, 1789, a distinguished portrait painter at the court of Charles II. He died in London and was buried in St. George the Martyrs burying-ground.  
m. ca. 1771, Miss Hetherington.  
Children.
  1. Frances Wilson, m. 1793, Col. Bosville, of the Coldstream guards. He was killed, Aug. 15, 1793, at the battle of Lincelles.
  2. Sir Robert Thomas Wilson, b. Aug. 17, 1777, d. May 9, 1849, an English general and governor of Gibraltar.  
m. July 8, 1798, Jemima Belford, b. 1777, d. 1823, a dau. of Col. William Belford of County Kent, England.

#### Records of Mrs. D. H. Hill

"Samuel Wilson was a grandson of Major Wilson and Elizabeth Yates. Another grandson of this couple was Sir Robert Wilson, one of the most distinguished military men of his day, serving under Lord Wellington in the Peninsular Campaign and at one time Governor of the English Fort at Gibraltar.

Major Wilson, the grandfather of these two gentlemen, was a wealthy merchant of Leeds, England."

The foregoing statement is in my mother's handwriting. She furnished it to me to give me information of our family. Joe M. Hill. (Dated Fort Smith, Ark., Jan. 23, 1940.)

Note - Other genealogists say that Samuel Wilson was a son of Elizabeth Yates and Major Wilson.



By S. A. Ashe

Here (in Baker's graveyard) was buried Samuel Wilson, an early and wealthy settler of Mecklenburg, a kinsman of Benjamin Wilson who was a distinguished English portrait painter at the court of Charles II, and the father of Sir Robert Wilson, one of England's most distinguished generals. The home of the late Dr. W. S. M. Davidson marks the site of the Wilson residence.

Contributed by Dr. Alphonso Withers.

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P. 82. Benjamin Wilson (1721-1788) painter, born at Leeds, was the 14th and youngest child of a wealthy clothier named Major Wilson, by his wife Elizabeth Yates. About 1771 he married Miss Hetherington. He died at 56 Great Russell Street, Bloomsbury, London, on June 6, 1788, and was buried in St. George the Martyr's burying-ground.

P. 162. Sir Robert Thomas Wilson (1777-1849) general and governor of Gibraltar, fourth child of the portrait painter, Benjamin Wilson, was born at Great Russell Street, Bloomsbury, London, on Aug. 17, 1777. He married Jemima (1777-1823) daughter of Col. William Belford of Harbledown, Kent. His sister Frances married early in 1793, Col. Bosville, of the Coldstream guards, who was killed on Aug. 15, 1793, at the battle of Lincelles.

Major John Davidson

By Chalmers G. Davidson

P. 15. One occasion dimly remembered by all family chroniclers was a visit to Rural Hill by a nephew of Gen. Robert Wilson from England. On departing he is said to have presented Violet Wilson Davidson with a silver snuff box.



Benjamin Winslow, d. 1759, in Rowan County, N. C. He was living in Brunswick County, (Lunenburg after 1748) Va., as early as 1742 and moved from there to Rowan in 1750.

Mary \_\_\_\_\_.  
Children.

- I. Mary Winslow, m. Samuel Wilson, b. 1710, d. Mar. 13, 1778.  
Children. (See p. 44.)

- II. Benjamin Winslow, settled, ca. 1764, in Craven (now York) County, S. C. m. Sarah Matthews, d. 1805, a daughter of Ann and John Matthews of Rowan County, N. C. She married 2nd, a Harper.  
Children.

1. Mary Winslow, b. Aug. 11, 1758, d. Oct. 19, 1822, m. Jan. 4, 1780, Adam Brevard, b. Mar. 1753, d. Oct. 2, 1829, a son of John Brevard and Jane McWhorter. He was an attorney of Statesville, N. C.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Winslow, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Cokeley.

- III. Moses Winslow, b. 1733, d. Oct. 1, 1815, m. 1760, Jeane Osborne, b. 1733, d. May 16, 1769, a dau. of Alexander Osborne and Agnes McWhorter. Both are buried at Center Church near Davidson, N. C.  
Children.

1. Dovey Winslow, b. 1776, d. Sept. 6, 1801, m. Dr. Joseph McKnitt Alexander, son of John McKnitt Alexander.
2. Cynthia Winslow, m. Samuel King.
3. Rocinda Winslow, m. William Jack Wilson, son of Samuel Wilson and his third wife, Margaret Jack.

- IV. Sarah Winslow, d. 1783, m. Hance McWhorter, d. 1773. He settled, ca. 1770, in Craven (now York) County, S. C., and his will is recorded there. He was a son of John McWhorter of Rowan County and a nephew of Jane McWhorter Brevard and of Agnes McWhorter Winslow.  
Children.

1. John McWhorter, b. 1758, d. 1840, in Lawrence Co., Ala. m. Rhoda \_\_\_\_\_, b. 1765, d. 1834.
2. Benjamin McWhorter. York County, S. C. m. Jane \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Moses Winslow McWhorter, d. Apr. 6, 1846, in Lawrence County, Ala. m. Margaret \_\_\_\_\_ d. Aug. 22, 1845.
4. Hance McWhorter, settled in Gibson Co., Tenn., m. Ann Cathey Patton, dau. of Robert Patton of Buncombe Co., N. C.
5. Jane McWhorter, m. James Cunningham. Lawrence County, Ala.
6. Rebecca McWhorter, m. John Henderson, d. 1832. York County, S. C.
7. Sarah McWhorter, m. 1795, George Davidson, son of Major William Davidson and Margaret McConnel. Both died with three of their sons and a son-in-law during a scourge of "milk sickness". They lived in Mississippi.

- V. \_\_\_\_\_ Winslow, m. Patrick Hamilton. His will signed July 10, 1809 was registered in Sumner County, Tenn.  
Children.

1. Esther Hamilton, m. Jan. 2, 1788, William Hart, d. 1803. Mecklenburg County, N. C.
2. Andrew Hamilton, d. 1815. D. s. p. Sumner Co., Tenn.
3. Sarah Hamilton, d. 1823, m. Dec. 27, 1788, James Hart, d. 1819, in Sumner Co., Tenn.
4. Mary Hamilton was living in 1820 as she was listed in the Sumner County census of that year.



5. Margaret Hamilton, m. May 14, 1806, Joseph Bowman. Sumner Co., Tenn.
6. Dovey Hamilton. Listed in the census of 1820.
7. John Winslow Hamilton, Esq. The first Court held in Sumner County, N. C., (now Tenn.) was held at the house of John W. Hamilton in October, 1787.

VI. Winslow, m. John McConnel, b. 1721, d. Dec. 30, 1801. He is buried in Baker's Graveyard near Davidson, N. C. He was married second in 1762. His will mentions eight children but no one seems to have been able to separate the children of the two marriages.

Will of Benjamin Winslow, d. 1759.

Benjamin Winslow: Of Rowan Co., N. C. Leg.-to my wife Mary Winslow "one-third part of all my personal estate with the best Room in my dwelling house forever"; to my son Moses Winslow my plantation; to my son-in-law, Samuel Wilson, five shillings, also to his daughter Rebecca Wilson £ 10; to my son-in-law, John McConnel, £ 10; to my son-in-law, Hance McWhorter £ 10; to my son-in-law, Patrick Hamilton, £ 10.

Executors - sons Benjamin and Moses Winslow.  
Dated Mar. 3, 1759.

Will of Patrick Hamilton, d. 1809.

Patrick Hamilton: Of Sumner Co., Tenn. Leg-dau. Esther's children £ 20; son Andrew two negro boys and "the bed and furniture his mother allotted to him"; dau. Sarah £ 20; dau. Mary a negro woman and her two children and "two rooms in the back shade as long as she lives single"; dau. Margaret one slave; dau. Dovey two slaves; residue to son John.

Executors - son John W. Hamilton and sons-in-law James Hart and Joseph Bowman.

Signed July 10, 1809.

Will of Mrs. Benjamin Winslow, Jr., d. ca. 1804.

Mrs. Benjamin Winslow, Jr., married second a Harper. In her Mecklenburg County will, signed Jan. 17, 1804, Mrs. Harper mentioned her daughter Mary Brevard, her son-in-law Adam Brevard, her six Brevard grandchildren and her grandson William Alexander Cokely.



## The Second Marriage of John McConnel.

A deed registered in Rowan County, Bk. 1, p. 36 shows that on April 28, 1753, John McConnel and Mary McConnel his wife sold a tract of 300 acres of land lying in Rowan County and John McConnel, in his Iredell County will (Iredell was formed in 1788 from Rowan) dated May 12, 1801, left property to his wife Mary McConnel and to his children. However, there is in the vaults of the State Archives, an original marriage bond of John McConnel which is dated Apr. 26, 1762, and is witnessed by Thomas Frohock. It does not carry the name of the woman he was to marry and neither do a few other marriage bonds of the same county and period.

In a day when the fee for a marriage license ran as high as £ 15 the Presbyterian ministers often performed a marriage service without a license. This deed made by John McConnel in 1753 and his marriage in 1762 suggests the thought that he had been married to his second wife by a Presbyterian minister and had had a legal marriage later or that he had simply postponed the ceremony for at least nine years.

Benjamin Winslow, Jr., in South Carolina.

Rowan County Deeds. Vol. VI, p. 533.

An indenture was made May 7, 1764, between Benjamin Winslow and Sarah Winslow, his wife, of the Province of South Carolina, Prince Frederick Parish and County of Craven and Robert White of Rowan. For a consideration of £ 135 Benjamin Winslow sold Robert White a tract of 535 acres of land, lying in Rowan County, being a part of a tract granted to Benjamin Winslow, Sr., by Earl Granville, bearing date Mar. 25, 1752, and conveyed from Benjamin Winslow, Sr., by deed of gift, to Benjamin Winslow, Jr., on June 3rd, 1758.

In a second indenture, dated June 3rd, 1758, Benjamin Winslow, Sr., conveyed, by deed of gift, a tract of about the same number of acres, to his son-in-law, Patrick Hamilton.

Benjamin Winslow and Family in Virginia

Brunswick County Deeds

Benjamin Wyndsley of Brunswick County, Virginia, conveyed to Thomas McKinney --"32 acres lying and being in Brunswick County, Virginia, being part of a tract containing 400 acres, which was granted to said Benjamin Wyndsley by letter of Patent, dated at Williamsburg, July 13, 1742.



Sunlight on the Southside.

List of Tithes.

Lunenburg Co., Va. (Formed 1748 from Brunswick)

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By Hugh Lawson, 1748.

Benjamin Winsley  
Benjamin Winsley, Jr.  
Samuel Wilson  
John Winsley  
John McConnell

P. 103

By Hugh Lawson, 1749.

	Tithes	Heads & Scalps
Benjamin Winsley	1	6
Samuel Wilson	1	6
John McConnell	1	0

P. 144

By Hugh Lawson, 1750.

Benjamin Winsley  
Samuel Wilson

Pension Record of Samuel Wilson, Jr.

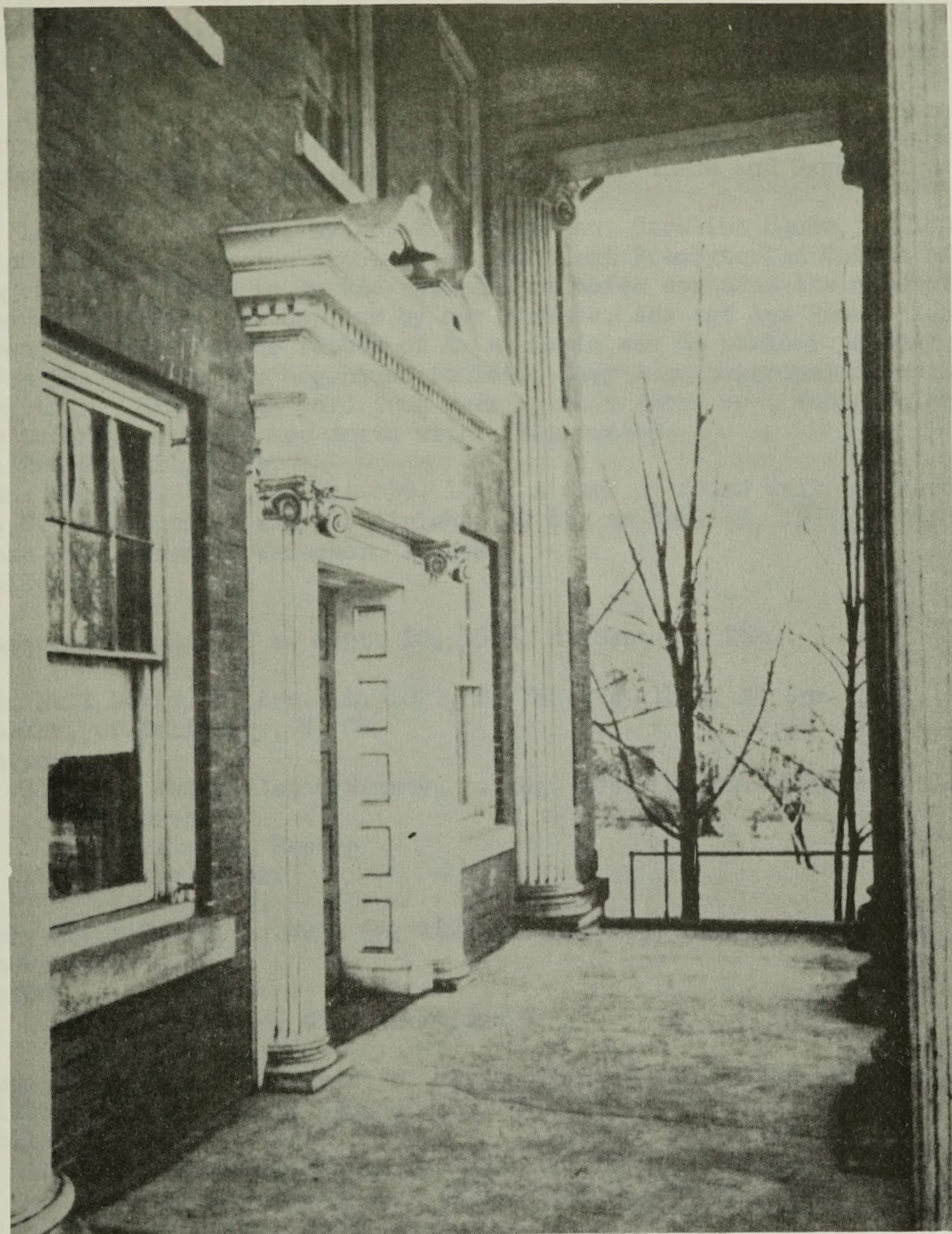
The Revolutionary Pension Claim of Samuel Wilson, Jr., signed Nov. 14, 1832, states that he was born in Va. on June 20, 1750, and brought by his parents to Mecklenburg Co., N. C., when he was three months old.

Two Benjamin Winslows in Virginia.

Worth S. Ray, in 1947, published a book called "Lost Tribes of North Carolina"; stating in it that Benjamin Winslow, father of Moses Winslow of Iredell County, N. C., was a son of Benjamin Winslow (1700-1751) and his wife Susannah Beverley, of Essex County, Va. This relationship has been accepted by several genealogists.

As Benjamin Winslow and Susannah Beverley were married in 1726 they could not have been the parents of Benjamin Winslow, d. 1759, as this would have made them the great-grand-parents of Violet (Wilson) Davidson who was born in 1742 in Brunswick (now Lunenburg) County, Virginia.





THE DAVIS HOUSE

SALISBURY, NORTH CAROLINA

Photo From: "Old Homes and Gardens of North Carolina"



Dolphin Alston Davis, b. July 28, 1802, d. Dec. 14, 1881. He was born at Cool Spring Inn, Fayetteville, N. C. In 1837 he moved to Salisbury, N. C., where he became cashier of the Salisbury branch of the Bank of Cape Fear. He lived in the bank building which was later called the old Davis Home. It was built in 1804 by Jacob Stirewalt and decorated several years later by Latrobe who decorated "Ingleside" in Lincoln County and the White House, which was burned in 1812. It is shown in Old Homes and Gardens.

m. 1st. Nov. 21, 1822, by Dr. R. H. Morrison, Caroline Beebe, b. 1804, d. Sept. 6, 1823. In the archives of the First Presbyterian Church of Fayetteville there is an old record book which contains the name of Caroline Beebe, presented for baptism by her parents, Asa and Ann Beebe "late of Connecticut." As the father of D. A. Davis was an officer in that church, from the time it was organized in 1800, they were congregation children together. She caught cold from wearing thin shoes to a dance which resulted in tuberculosis and her death within six months.

m. 2nd Oct. 21, 1824,

Jane Wall, b. 1807, d. Oct. 30, 1843, a dau. of James Wall of Anson County, N. C. A beautiful sampler finished by her on Nov. 19, 1821, shows that Jane Wall attended Wadesboro Academy.

Children.

I. James Alston Davis, b. Sept. 20, 1825, d. Sept. 4, 1826.

II. Ann Wall Davis, b. Apr. 14, 1827, d. Feb. 24, 1853, m. Apr. 1851, Julius D. Ramsey, of Salisbury, N. C.  
Child.

1. Rev. James Alston Ramsey, b. Aug. 1852, d. ca. 1895, m. Belle McKnutt.  
Children.

Julius D. Ramsey  
Mary Ramsey

III. Mary Burch Davis, b. July 29, 1829, d. ca. 1895, m. Giles Mumford. Lived in Mocksville, N. C.  
Child.

1. Fanny Mumford, died in infancy.

IV. Louisa Malinda "Lou" Davis, b. May 5, 1843, d. Apr. 1909, m. Oct. 1871, William Shippen Negus. Boundbrook, N. J.  
Child.

1. Alston "Engle" Negus, b. 1872, d. 1878, of diphtheria. The three members of this family are buried in Chestnut Hill Cemetery, Salisbury, N. C. Engle's hobby horse was given to his Morrison cousins.

m. 3rd. Nov. 1844,

Mary Elizabeth Horah, b. Feb. 5, 1820, d. Mar. 29, 1855.  
Children.

V. Rev. William Henry Davis, b. Aug. 11, 1845, d. Dec. 6, 1919, buried, with his wife Rebecca Davis, at Davidson River Presbyterian Church, Transylvania Co., N. C.

m. 1st, Mary Wilson McPhail, daughter of Rev. George Wilson McPhail, D. D., president of Davidson College.

m. 2nd, May 1, 1878, Rebecca Morton, d. May 4, 1884, a dau. of Rebecca Tarry and Samuel Venable Morton of Clarksville, Va.

m. 3rd, Dec. 11, 1889, Harriette Harrison (Feaster) Martin, daughter of Annette McClanahan and Nathan Feaster and widow of Albert Martin. Her daughter Elizabeth Katherine Martin who married Earle Mauldin was reared in the home of Mr. Davis.



Children.

1. Martha Venable Davis, b. July 24, 1879.
2. Jane Louisa Davis, b. Feb. 24, 1882, m. 1907, Thomas Edward Patton.

Children.

- Thomas Edward Patton, b. Dec. 31, 1909, d. Jan. 16, 1910.  
William Henry Davis Patton, b. Mar. 10, 1912, d. Sept. 10, 1914.  
Rebecca Morton Patton, b. Apr. 24, 1919, m. Nov. 17, 1945, Wendell Wayne Wood, b. Oct. 9, 1920.
3. Dolphin Alston Davis, b. Sept. 6, 1890, of Baltimore, m. Dec. 6, 1919, Virginia Lee Gibbs, b. Feb. 9, 1994.

Children.

- Dolphin Alston Davis, b. Feb. 17, 1921, m. June 24, 1944, Alice Sylvester, b. Jan. 24, 1923.  
Virginia Lee Davis, b. Oct. 19, 1927, d. Oct. 26, 1927.
4. Mary McPhail Davis, b. Dec. 2, 1896, m. Oct. 4, 1923, Garland McGregor, b. Nov. 28, 1889, d. Oct. 1955.

Children.

- Garland McGregor, b. Aug. 24, 1924, d. Feb. 23, 1945, in England.  
Second lieutenant, U. S. A.  
William Henry Davis McGregor, b. Mar. 25, 1927, m. Dec. 27, 1950,  
Mary Monica Jackson, b. Nov. 29, 1923.  
Eleanor Earle McGregor, b. July 14, 1931.  
Samuel Girard McGregor, b. Jan. 6, 1934.

- VI. Jane Elizabeth Davis, b. Sept. 14, 1847, d. Dec. 24, 1935, m. Oct. 22, 1872, Joseph G. Morrison, b. June 1, 1842, d. Apr. 11, 1906.  
Children. (See p. 3.)

- VII. Rev. John Wright Davis, b. July 25, 1849, d. Feb. 24, 1917, m. Alice Schmucker, of Ohio, in China. Both were missionaries. She died in 1906 and is buried in Elmwood Cem., Charlotte, N. C.; he died in Soochow and is buried in the English Cemetery in Shanghai.

Children.

1. John Kerr Davis, b. Mar. 5, 1882, in Soochow, China, m. May 29, 1912, Mary I. Murphy, dau. of Nettleton P. Murphy of Salisbury, N. C.  
Consular service in China, Poland, etc.
- Children.
- Mary Shannon Davis, b. Dec. 4, 1915, in Manchuria, m. John Roberts.  
John Spencer Davis, b. Dec. 14, 1921, Nanking, China, m. Jan. 22, 1944, Sarah Josephine Kimball.
2. Alice Parker Davis, b. 1884, in Soochow, d. 1917, at sea, between Shanghai and New York.

- VIII. Orin Datus Davis, b. Feb. 27, 1851, d. May 25, 1924, a banker of Salisbury, N. C. m. May 5, 1880, May McCorkle, b. Aug. 14, 1854, d. Apr. 7, 1922.

Children.

1. James McCorkle Davis, b. Mar. 31, 1881, d. Nov. 16, 1943, Salisbury N. C. m. Rebecca Walker, b. Oct. 29, 1895.
- Children.
- Dr. James McCorkle Davis, b. Apr. 24, 1923, of Jacksonville, Fla. m. Susan Palmer.  
Rebecca Price Davis, b. Apr. 27, 1920, m. Lewis Morris.
2. Henry Wiley Davis, b. Nov. 5, 1883, d. Dec. 17, 1954, m. Nov. 4, 1913, Louise Womble..
- Children.
- Dorothy Davis, b. Aug. 7, 1914, m. Frank Lawrence.  
Henry Womble Davis, b. Jan. 4, 1916.



3. Orin Douglas Davis, b. Feb. 28, 1887, d. Oct. 1891.
4. Mary Elizabeth Davis, b. July 15, 1895, d. June 4, 1950,  
m. 1st. May 1916, Kenneth Trotter, of Charlotte, N. C.  
m. 2nd. June 15, 1921, Troy Smith, b. Apr. 1, 1896, of Liberty, N. C.  
Child.  
Betty May Trotter, b. Aug. 11, 1917, m. May 26, 1943, Loyce Wagoner,  
b. May 27, 1910, of Lexington, N. C.
5. Rose Buchanon Davis, b. Dec. 23, 1898, d. June 4, 1900.

IX. Robert Moore Davis, b. Oct. 30, 1852, d. Mar. 30, 1910, Salisbury, N. C.  
m. Oct. 30, 1877, Sallie Murdock Scott, b. 1854, in Salisbury. d. Sept. 1947.  
She was the last of her generation.

Children.

1. John Wright Davis, b. June 10, 1878, d. May 31, 1921, m. June 1913,  
May Radcliffe, d. 1921.
2. Helen Murdock Davis, b. Sept. 1, 1879, m. Oct. 30, 1903, Charles M.  
Brown, d. Apr. 21, 1951.

Children.

Charles Michael Brown, b. Apr. 3, 1905, m. Sept. 26, 1928, Frances  
Shore.

Helen Davis Brown, b. June 9, 1910, m. Jan. 22, 1940, Martin Cloud  
Goodman.

Robert Davis Brown, b. Feb. 6, 1917.

3. Miriam Rousseau Davis, b. Mar. 19, 1881, m. Oct. 30, 1908, Charles E.  
Stevenson, d. May 11, 1937.

Child.

Miriam McFarland Stevenson, b. Oct. 31, 1913. m. Apr. 13, 1935,  
Robert Winfield Hunter.

4. Sadie Scott Davis, b. Jan. 5, 1886, m. Oct. 11, 1911, Eugene Gray,  
d. Mar. 9, 1929.

Child.

Elizabeth Huske Gray, b. May 29, 1915, m. Oct. 26, 1939, Edward  
Sierer Huffner, b. Apr. 3, 1908.

5. Amelia Foust Davis, b. Sept. 23, 1887, m. June 14, 1911, Robert  
McArthur, b. Nov. 1, 1886.

Children.

Robert Milton McArthur, b. Aug. 16, 1918, m. Mar. 29, 1842, Matilda  
Johns.

Helen Murdock McArthur, b. Oct. 20, 1919, m. Feb. 20, 1943, Raymond  
Peter Devoluy of New York, N. Y.

m. 4th. Feb. 27, 1856,

Elizabeth (Hogan) Beall, d. Nov. 29, 1869, dau. of Elizabeth and William  
Hogan of Randolph Co., N. C., and widow of Dr. Burges L. Beall of Davidson  
Co., N. C.

m. 5th. 1872,

America (Rousseau) Heath, b. Feb. 26, 1816, d. May 25, 1903, a dau. of John  
Rousseau of Wilkes Co., N. C., and the widow of Judge Robert R. Heath. After  
the death of her husband, Mrs. Davis continued to live in the bank building,  
the bank having been moved down town. She was the only grandmother that the  
grandchildren of Mr. "Bank" Davis ever knew. They called her "Grandma" and  
at each meal an extra plate was laid on her table for any one of them who  
might run in.



## The Horahs and the Davises.

When Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Davis, and their two young daughters moved from Fayetteville to Salisbury, his widowed sister, Amelia Davis Ballard, and her daughter, Margaret Ballard, came with them. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Horah lived next door.

In 1840 Amelia Ballard married Robert Horah, a son of Wm. H. Horah.

In 1843 Jane Wall Davis died leaving a daughter six months old, who was a namesake of Mrs. Horah.

In 1844 D. A. Davis married Mary Elizabeth Horah.

In 1847 Margaret Ballard married John Horah. Also in 1847 D. A. Davis named a daughter Jane Elizabeth for Jane Wall Davis and Mary Elizabeth Horah Davis.

The Horahs and the Davises are buried in the same section of the Old English Cemetery.

## Bankers for Ninety-two Years

"Mr. Dolphin Alston Davis was born in Fayetteville, N. C. July 28, 1802. On the death of his father, when he was sixteen years old, he was appointed clerk in the Fayetteville branch of the Bank of the United States. In 1837 he was elected cashier of the Salisbury branch of the Bank of Cape Fear and in the same year he moved to that city with his wife and two children. In 1865 the branch bank of Cape Fear, at Salisbury, was discontinued. Mr. Davis established the private bank of D. A. Davis which he continued until his death."

Eminent and Representative Men. Pub. 1892.

After the death of D. A. Davis, in 1881, his son O. D. Davis, who had been cashier for his father for many years, formed a partnership with S. W. Wiley of Salisbury. It was incorporated in 1889 as a state bank under the name of the Davis and Wiley Bank. For ninety-two years, probably longer, the same family was identified with the banking business in Salisbury. James McCorkle Davis and John Wright Davis represented the fourth generation. Alston Davis Morrison, also of the fourth generation, was with the bank for a short time. The first of the four generations was represented by William Henry Horah, who was with the bank before and after Dolphin Davis, his son-in-law, came to Salisbury.

In Sept. 1924 the Davis and Wiley Bank was taken over by the Atlantic Bank and Trust Company of Greensboro, N. C.



Mr. "Bank" Davis

Our only banking institution was a private one managed by a Mr. Davis, kinsman of that first North Carolina editor who lived in the town of New Berne. Everybody referred to him as "Mr. Bank Davis." He was in Salisbury before my father, and the two were lifelong friends. His house was a square brick house on Main Street and it gave the name to our Bank Street, for part of this house had been built as a bankers room, with counter and grating. Behind this and beneath was a strong room and bank vault, and in this office - cage Mr. Davis would sit during his leisurely hours of bank-keeping and find time then to do a great deal of knitting. When he had to put his half-finished sock away to wait on clients, he shut the work into the seat of his great chair which pulled out like a draw. I have watched him do this when I was a little girl. During the Civil War, it is said that he turned out as many socks for the soldiers, knit with his own hands, as any woman of them all. I remember his beautiful black-and-tan terrier, named Tyke. This dog accompanied every step his master made, except to church and prayer meeting. Nothing could induce him to start church-ward. He knew when the time came, and not being a religious dog he never offered to start. The day that Mr. Davis died Tyke crossed the street to the house of Mr. Orin Davis and never came back.

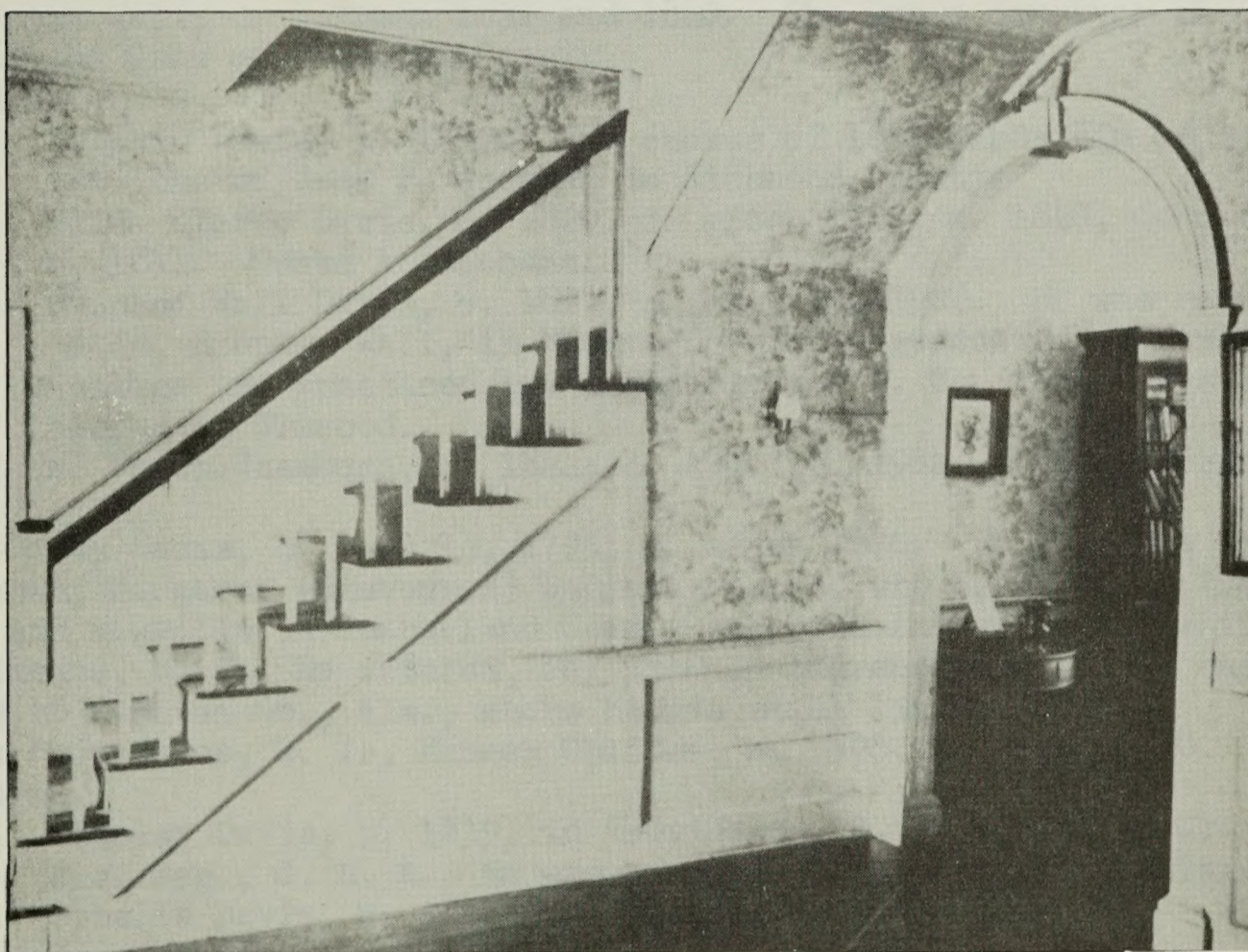
"This Was Home" by Hope S. Chamberlain.





DOLPHIN DAVIS and Daughter AMELIA





COOL SPRING INN  
FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

Photo from: "Old Homes and Gardens of North Carolina"



Dolphin Davis, b. Mar. 5, 1759, d. Nov. 8, 1818, a native of Halifax County, N. C., moved to Fayetteville, N. C., prior to 1784. In 1789 he opened a tavern called Cool Spring Inn. Photographs of the inn are shown in Old Homes and Gardens and in Early Architecture of North Carolina.

m. Jan. 7, 1787,  
Ann Stevenson, d. Jan. 5, 1820.  
Children.

I. Dr. Willie Jones Davis, b. Oct. 2, 1787, d. Feb. 6, 1820. D.s.p.

II. Mary Hodges Davis, b. May 23, 1789, m. mar. 8, 1810, Thomas Burch, d. Nov. 24, 1827, in Lexington, Ky.

Children. (Records Presbyterian Church, Fayetteville, N. C.)

1. Mary Ann Burch, baptized Sept. 1811.
2. Dolphin James Burch, baptized Sept. 1811.
3. Mr. Burch and Lady, one infant. No date.
4. Mr. Burch and Lady, one infant. May 25, 1823.

III. Elizabeth Davis, b. Feb. 27, 1791, d. Mar. 11, 1791.

IV. Thomas Drew Davis, b. July 24, 1792, d. between 1831 and 1840. He moved, ca. 1825, from Fayetteville to Richmond County, N. C. After the death of his wife he was drowned in attempting to cross the Pee Dee River at high water.

m. Martha Wall, d. between 1831 and 1840. She was a daughter of John Wall and Martha Cole of Richmond County.

Children.

1. Dolphin Davis, b. 1817. The census of 1850 lists him as living in the home of John F. Moorman in Richmond County.
2. Eliza Elerbe Davis, b. 1820, d. after 1850, m. 1840, John F. Mooring b. 1811. Moved to Alabama.
3. Stephen Wall Davis, b. 1829, d. July 15, 1906. He was reared by his uncle, Stephen Wall, in Richmond County, graduated at Davidson College and practiced law in Charlotte, N. C. He and his family are buried in Elmwood.  
m. Sarah Chambers, b. 1844, d. Aug. 10, 1904, of Rowan County, N. C.

V. Orin Datus Davis, b. Apr. 14, 1795, d. after 1870. He acted as an agent for his aunt, Margaret (Stevenson) Leonard Pearce, who owned large tracts of land and sawmills in Cumberland County and sold lumber to the shipyards in Providence, R. I. He settled, ca. 1840 in Lawrence Co., Ala., and later moved to Winston Co., Ala., where he was still living in 1870.

m. in Providence, R. I., Hannah Chaffee, b. 1820, d. after 1870.

Children.

1. Chesley Davis, b. 1839, in Providence, R. I., Capt. of Co. B. 16th Ala. Reg., C. S. A. He was wounded in the battle at Atlanta.
2. Ophelia Davis, b. 1841, in Lawrence Co., Ala.
3. Jacob S. Davis, b. 1844.
4. Laura S. Davis, b. 1845, m. Henry Sherrod of Town Creek, Lawrence Co., Ala.
5. Ann A. Davis, b. 1847, m. Frederick O. Sherrod of Birmingham, Ala.
6. Dolphin Davis, b. 1852, in Winston Co., Ala.
7. Orin D. Davis, b. 1859, in Winston Co., Ala.



VI. Dr. Goodorum Davis, b. Nov. 15, 1797, d. June 26, 1829, in Fayetteville, N. C.  
m. May 21, 1822, Sarah Robeson Harvey, b. 1805, d. May 7, 1836, a dau. of Travis Harvey and Sarah Robeson, of Bladen Co., N. C. She m. 2nd, Francis B. Barksdale.

Children.

1. Sarah Ann Davis, b. 1823, d. Mar. 1904, m. David B. Gillespie, d. Apr. 3, 1890, of Bladen Co., N. C.
2. Mary Eliza Davis, b. Jan. 14, 1825, d. Aug. 25, 1891, m. Oct. 1845, Thomas David McDowell, b. Jan. 4, 1823, d. May 1, 1898. He was a senator in the Confederate Congress, 1861-1865. Lived in Bladen Co., N. C.
3. A child, d. Sept. 5, 1829.

VII. Ann Stevenson Davis, b. Oct. 15, 1799, d. after 1860,  
m. 1st. July 2, 1818, Joseph Summerel, b. 1796, d. July 13, 1825. Lived in Fayetteville, N. C., and Philadelphia, Pa. Children. In a Cumberland County deed recorded in Vol. 34, p. 444, and signed on Feb. 26, 1823, Joseph Summerel mentioned, "my wife Ann Summerel and my children".

m. 2nd. Dec. 18, 1828, Alexander Martin, b. 1785, d. after 1860. Lived in Guilford County, N. C.

Children.

1. Elizabeth L. Martin, b. 1829, d. 1911, m. Dec. 29, 1835, Nathan Ozment, b. 1818, d. 1884. They had nine children, including triplets. All are buried at Buffalo Presbyterian Church, Guilford County, N. C.
2. Mary Martin, b. 1833.
3. Francis Martin, b. 1836.
4. Orin D. Martin, b. 1838. He was a private in Co. C., 45th N. C. Reg. C. S. A.

VIII. Dolphin Alston Davis, b. July 28, 1802, d. Dec. 14, 1881. For his family see p. 50.55.

IX. Amelia Bathurst Davis, b. July 23, 1807, d. Oct. 30, 1841,  
m. 1st. May 12, 1825, William Ballard, d. June 20, 1829, of Fayetteville, N. C.  
m. 2nd. Mar. 24, 1840, Robert Moore Horah, b. Nov. 9, 1817, d. Sept. 4, 1841, of Salisbury, N. C.

Children.

1. Margaret Stevenson Ballard, b. Oct. 20, 1826, d. 1902, m. Oct. 21, 1847, John Horah, b. Mar. 18, 1824, d. Feb. 15, 1899.
2. William Peter Ballard, b. Feb. 22, 1829, d. Aug. 12, 1836.
3. Lewis Horah, b. Jan. 13, 1841, d. Sept. 16, 1841.

#### Cool Spring Tavern

"The subscriber begs leave to inform the public that he has opened a Public House in Fayetteville, near the Cool Spring. Every exertion will be made to oblige those who may be pleased to favor him with their custom."

Dolphin Davis

Fayetteville Gazette. Sept. 4, 1789.



"For the brotherly love I bear them, I give and bequeath unto Goodorum and Amelia Davis all the real and personal property that I may die possessed of."

Dated Nov. 21, 1818

Willie Jones Davis.

Cumberland Co. Deeds. Vol. 34, p. 96.

On Aug. 27, 1821, a division was made of the "lot with improvements where the late Dolphin Davis resided" consisting of "29 acres more or less" on the south side of Cross Creek and "fronting on the principal street." The whole was valued at \$5,200 which being divided by eight, the number of shares required, made \$650 the amount of each share.

The first share consisting of the Tavern "on a lot 222 ft. 5 in. across the front so as to include the kitchen", was valued at \$1,090. "This share was drawn for Dolphin A. Davis, therefore he has to pay \$440 to be divided among the other heirs."

"The second share composed of the Tobacco Ware House and the ground on which it stands valued at \$650."

The fifth share which had been drawn in the name of Dr. Willie Jones Davis, dec., was divided between Goodorum Davis and Amelia Davis.

Cumberland County Court Min. Feb. 16, 1821.

"Randolph Lattimer, of Fayetteville, for \$2,800, bought a line of States of Dolphin A. Davis and Thomas Davis, Jr., running between Fayetteville and the Roanoke River by Tarboro." John Dickson, guardian for Dolphin A. Davis, signed for him.

Court Minutes. Richmond Co., N. C.

Apr. Term, 1831. "Will of John Wall, Sr., probated. Share of property of Martha Davis and of Elizabeth Elebe entailed to their children."

July Term, 1840. "Property left by John Wall, Sr., passed to the three children of Martha Davis, dec., and of Thomas Davis, dec."

In Lower Fayetteville, on Friday last, Dr. Goodorum Davis, aged 32, a graduate with eminent distinction of the University of North Carolina and a gentleman of rare acquirements and talents.

Carolina Observer. July 2, 1829.



Estate of G. Davis, Dr.

To. G. W. Baker.

1829

June 27. For Walnut Coffin, Head & foot Board,	\$17.50
Cash paid for $4\frac{1}{2}$ yds. Cotton Lining	1.80
Cash paid for Cord & Frill	3.50
Sept. 6. Small Walnut Coffin, Head and foot Board,	7.50
Cash paid for Lining, Cord & Frill	2.50
	<u>\$32.80</u>

This bill is among the estate papers of Dr. Alexander McDowell of Bladen Co., N. C., now in the library at the University of North Carolina. Dr. McDowell settled the estate of Dr. Goodorum Davis and acted as guardian for his two daughters one of whom married Thomas David McDowell, a son of Dr. Alexander McDowell.

Cumberland County Deeds. Vol. 34, p. 267.

"I, Joseph Summereal, in consideration of \$500, paid by Dolphin A. Davis, sell to Dolphin A. Davis the following articles of personal property, viz: one Negro boy slave named Simeon now about fifteen years old, one mahogany sideboard, one set of mahogany dining tables, one walnut table, one dozen yellow chairs, one half dozen rush bottom chairs, five pine tables, three bedsteads with beds and all their furniture, one bureau, one looking glass, one gilt framed mantle glass, two pairs brass andirons, one washstand, one set of tea trays, two pair of silver candlesticks, one carpet and hearth rug, two pairs of shovel and tongs, one small bureau, one dressing box, one work box, one set of gilt china, one pair castors, one half dozen silver tablespoons, one dozen silver teaspoons, one wing chair, one portable writing desk, one cradle and one crib.

20th day of April, 1822

Joseph Summereal

In Philadelphia, on the 13th, after a short illness, Mr. Joseph Summereal, aged 29, formerly of the house of Summereal & Asson, merchants of this town.

Carolina Observer. July 28, 1825

In Lexington, Ky., on the 24th of Nov. last, Mr. Thomas D. Burch, formerly a respectable merchant of this town.

Carolina Observer. Jan. 17, 1828

On the 12th inst., in this town, William Peter Ballard, age seven years, only son of the late William W. Ballard.

Carolina Observer. Aug. 16, 1836.



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Col. James E. Saunders.

The home of these two old people is now called "Ingleside". It was to this home, years after, that Orin Davis brought, from Providence, R. I., his bride, Hannah Chaffee, of queenly beauty and with a voice unsurpassed in sweetness and compass.

(Col. Saunders lived three miles from "Ingleside," in Lawrence County, Alabama. His wife was the great-aunt of Henry and Frederick Sherrod, who married daughters of Orin Davis.)

Winston Co., Ala. Census of 1860.

	Age	Occ.	Real est.	Per. est.	Place of birth
Orin Davis	65	Farming	\$40,000	\$60,000	N. C.
Hannah Davis	39	Wife			R. I.
Chesley Davis	21				R..I.
Ophelia Davis	19				Ala.

(Lists seven children.)

Census of 1870 (after Civil War) gives Orin Davis as 74 and valued his property at \$1,600.



Thomas Davis, d. 1764, a native of Isle of Wight Co., Va., settled in Halifax County, (then Edgecombe) N. C., in 1749.  
m. ca. 1749.

Hartwell Hodges, b. ca. 1728, d. 1796, the only child of Benjamin Hodges and his wife Constance Goodrich (widow of John Harrison) of Isle of Wight County, Va.

Children.

- I. Frederick Davis. Lived in Bute (later Franklin) County, N. C. Census of 1790 lists five children.

m.

1. Archibald Davis, a legatee of Goodorum Davis.

- II. Goodorum Davis, d. Oct. 3, 1808, of Halifax Town, N. C.,

m. Mary Burt, d. 1815.

No children.

- III. Oroondates Davis, d. 1781, of Halifax Town, N. C.,

m. 1776, Mrs. Joseph Long (nee Mary Haynes) b. 1751, d. Feb. 1814, a daughter of Nannie Eaton and Andrew Haynes. He was a lawyer, a State Senator 1778-81, a member of the Boundary Line Committee and a member of the "Board of War," in 1780, along with John Penn and Gen. Wm. R. Davie.

Children.

1. Mary Davis, b. 1777, d. Oct. 23, 1840, m. 1796, James McKinley, b. Feb. 11, 1751, in Scotland, d. Feb. 12, 1819, in New Bern, N. C.  
No children.
2. Elizabeth Ann Davis, b. 1780, d. 1781.

- IV. Sally Davis, m. Francis Ward, d. 1800, son of Francis Ward, d. 1796, of Isle of Wight County, Va. His Nash County will was witnessed by Archibald Davis and Benjamin Ward.

Children.

1. William Ward.
2. Francis Ward.
3. Sally Ward, m. Major William Avent, of Nash County, N. C.
4. Nathan Ward.

- V. Dolphin Davis, b. Mar. 5, 1759, d. Nov. 8, 1818, of Fayetteville, N. C.

m. Jan. 7, 1787, Ann Stevenson, d. Jan. 5, 1820.

Children. (See p. 62)

- VI. General Thomas Davis, b. ca. 1761, d. Sept. 25, 1822. He was a Brigadier General in the War of 1812 and a lawyer of Fayetteville, N. C. He and his wife are buried in Cross Creek Cemetery. The handsome monument which marks the two graves was probably erected some years after they died as both the date of her death and his differs, by several years, with dates given in death notices carried in the Raleigh Register.

m. 1794, Mary Owen, b. 1774, d. Oct. 8, 1811.

Children.

1. Maria Davis, b. 1795, d. 1879, m. Jan. 26, 1815, James Alves, b. 1792, d. 1835. Moved to Kentucky.
2. Thomas Owen Davis, b. 1797, d. July 1825, in Jamaica. A midshipman.
3. Catherine Davis, b. 1799, m. June 13, 1816, William B. Mears, b. Dec. 8, 1787, d. Oct. 11, 1814. Lived in Wilmington, N. C.
4. Caroline Davis, b. 1801, d. Nov. 12, 1856, m. 1st. Oct. 29, 1821, Joshua W. Cockran, d. Oct. 6, 1836, of Fayetteville, N. C.  
m. 2nd. Aug. 21, 1838, John H. Holmes, b. 1801, d. Oct. 2, 1839, of Wilmington, N. C.



- m. 3rd. Feb. 13, 1844, James S. Green of Wilmington, N. C.
5. Elizabeth Morehead Davis, b. 1803, d. May 19, 1887, m. July 27, 1821, John Walker, b. 1789, d. 1862, of Wilmington, N. C.
6. George Washington Davis, b. 1805, d. Apr. 12, 1860, a merchant of Wilmington, N. C. m. Apr. 20, 1830, Margaret Y. Anderson.
7. John Archibald Davis, b. 1810, d. in childhood.

VIII. Archibald Davis, b. ca. 1763, d. Feb. 22, 1821, of "Columbia Farm", Franklin County, N. C.,  
 m. 1789, Elizabeth Jane Hilliard, b. 1769, d. Aug. 26, 1816, a dau. of Leah Crawford and Capt. Isaac Hilliard.  
 Children.

1. Ann Maria Davis, b. Aug. 30, 1790, d. Mar. 1822,  
 m. 1st. Sept. 1811, Benjamin Brinkell, d. 1812,  
 m. 2nd. 1813, Josiah Crudup, b. 1791, d. 1827.
2. Elizabeth Crawford Davis, b. Jan. 21, 1792, d. Jan. 17, 1872,  
 m. July 27, 1812, Nicholas Alston.
3. Hartwell Hodges Davis, b. Apr. 27, 1793, m. Robert Webb Williams.
4. Lear Hilliard Davis, b. Aug. 27, 1795, d. Sept. 26, 1796.
5. James Hilliard Davis, b. July 21, 1797, d. July 1798.
6. Archibald Hilliard Davis, b. June 3, 1799, d. Nov. 18, 1857,  
 m. 1st. Mar. 20, 1827, Lucy Cargill Massenburg, d. 1835.  
 m. 2nd. Oct. 19, 1837, Cornelia Caroline Kearney.
7. Martha Davis, b. Feb. 22, 1801, d. 1875, m. Dr. Edward Alston.
8. Mary Kearney Davis, b. Dec. 13, 1802, d. Mar. 1888, m. Jan. 31, 1820,  
 Joseph John Williams.
9. Temperance Williams Davis, b. Sept. 26, 1804, d. Aug. 1854,  
 m. Apr. 20, 1820, William Williams Thorne, b. 1798, d. 1838.  
 (They were the grandparents of Chief-Justice Walter Clark and the  
 g-grandparents of Violet and Julia Alexander.)
10. Dr. Thomas Davis, b. Apr. 3, 1806, d. Nov. 3, 1862,  
 m. 1st. Mary Ann Slade.  
 m. 2nd. Feb. 17, 1853, Martha E. Batchelor.
11. John Calvin Davis, b. June 19, 1808, d. Mar. 10, 1889,  
 m. 1831, Lucy Falcon Alston.
12. Lucy Henry Davis, b. Oct. 11, 1811, d. 1896,  
 m. Dec. 8, 1831, Nicholas Bryar Massenburg, b. 1806, d. 1867.

Hartwell (Hodges) Davis, d. 1796, widow of Thomas Davis,  
 m. 2nd, in 1766,  
 James Drake, b. 1725, d. 1790, of Nash County, N. C.  
 Children.

I. Major John Hodges Drake, b. Jan. 1767, d. Dec. 11, 1859, m. 1794, Francis Williams, b. 1779, d. 1840.

II. Benjamin Drake, m. Cecelia Taylor.

In her noncopative will probated in Nash County, N. C., in 1796, Hartwell Drake mentions both her Davis and her Drake children.



## Location and Will of Thomas Davis.

Thomas Davis "of Isle of Wight" bought, in 1749, of Joseph Davis of Edgecombe (Halifax after 1758) 781 acres lying in Edgecombe on Fishing Creek; in his will dated Sept. 29, 1764, and probated at January Court, 1765, in Halifax County, N. C., Thomas Davis left his "manor plantation" of 781 acres to his wife with reversion to his son Dolphin. He left legacies to his other six children, also to "my brother Lewis Davis" and to "my nephew Dioclesion Davis, son of Lewis Davis." A reference was made to "the land on which William Davis now lives." This will was witnessed by Samuel Davis, Thomas Mann and John Green. Executors were Major Joseph Montford (d. 1776) and Blake Baker (d. 1769).

Note - There are many reasons for believing that Joseph Davis and Samuel Davis were brothers of Thomas Davis and Lewis Davis; and that their ancestors had lived in Isle of Wight County, Va., (Surry after 1749) for three or four generations. Early Isle of Wight records contain a great deal of Davis data but the number of men by the name "Thomas Davis", "John Davis", or "Samuel Davis" makes identification very difficult.

Most of the data on the family of Archibald Davis, d. 1821, was gotten from a Bible which James Massenburg, of Raleigh, inherited from his father Benjamin Massenburg, who was the tenth child of Lucy and Nicholas Bryar Massenburg, and a grandson of Archibald Davis.

## Will of Mary Davis, d. 1815.

"This is the last Will and Testament of me Mary Davis, widow and relic of the late Gooderum Davis of Halifax Town."

Mary Davis left negroes to a niece; land to a nephew; and to a negro named Jim, whom she had already freed, she willed his wife and his two sons. She commanded Jim to free each son as soon as he became of age and requested her nephew William Burt, to see that Jim did it. The will was witnessed by Robert Johnston and William Drew.

## Will of James Davis, d. 1817.

"I, James Davis, make this my last Will and Testament Viz: All right and title and interest which I have to my wife, Rita, and my children, by virtue of the will of Mrs. Mary Davis, I give and devise to William Burt of Halifax Town in trust and on condition that he should use all lawful means to have my said wife and children liberated and set free as soon after my death as practicable" - - - my wife to keep possession of my house and lot.

Probated 1817

his  
James ~~X~~ Davis  
mark.



John Davis, d. 1749, in Surry County, Va. Surry had been formed in 1748 from Isle of Wight.

m.

Ann Drew, d. after 1771, a daughter of William Drew of Surry.

On March 20, 1749, the appraisal of the estate of John Davis was returned by Dolphin Drew, Carter Crofford and Newett Edwards. (Surry County Will Book 3, p. 634.) In 1754 the account current of the estate of John Davis was returned by his wife Ann Davis. Apparently Mrs. John Davis, married second an Allen, as indicated by an indenture, dated Nov. 19, 1771, in which "Dolphin Davis and his mother Ann Allen of Surry County" sold to Charles Goodrich "a tract of 25 acres on the east side of Robertson's Swamp adj. John Davis' line to Barker's line." (Surry County Deed Book 10, p. 148.)

Children.

- I. Dolphin Davis, of Surry County, Va.
- II. Thomas Davis, d. 1764, of Halifax County, N. C., m. ca. 1749, Hartwell Hodges, b. ca. 1728, d. 1796.  
Children. (See p. 68.)
- III. Lewis Davis, d. 1780, of Nash County, N. C., m. Tibitha Young.  
In his will Thomas Davis left a legacy to "my brother Lewis Davis."  
Children.  
(Mentioned in will of Lewis Davis)
  1. Diocletian Davis, m. Dec. 7, 1778, Nancy Fluker, in Bute County, N. C.
  2. Young Davis.
  3. Priscilla Davis, d. s. p.
  4. Lobzey Davis.

William Drew, of Surry County, Va.

m.

Children.

- I. Ann Drew,  
m. 1st. John Davis, d. 1749, of Surry County, Va.  
m. 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ Allen, of Surry County, Va.
- II. Dolphin Drew, of Isle of Wight County, Va. He appraised the estate of John Davis in 1749; and he served as a vestryman in the Old Brick Church near Smithfield.
- III. William Drew, d. 1778, in Surry County, Va.  
m. Mary \_\_\_\_\_  
Children. (Mentioned in their father's will).
  1. Priscilla Drew, m. Michael Blow.
  2. Martha Drew, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Hart.
  3. \_\_\_\_\_ Drew, m. Ethelred Gray.
  4. Rebecca Drew.
  5. Sally Drew.



Benjamin Hodges, d. 1753, of Isle of Wight County, Va.  
m. ca. 1727,

Constance (Goodrich) Harrison, widow of John Harrison who died in 1725 and  
dau. of Capt. John Goodrich.

In a deed dated Sept. 6, 1757, Benjamin Hodges mentioned "beloved Son-in-law  
Thomas Davis and daughter Hartwell Davis. In 1752 he made a will leaving  
his property to his daughter.  
Child.

- I. Hartwell Hodges, b. ca. 1728, d. 1796.  
m. 1st. Thomas Davis, d. 1764, of Halifax County, N. C.  
m. 2nd. 1766, James Drake, b. 1725, d. 1790, of Nash Co., N. C.

Roger Hodges, d. 1720, of Isle of Wight County, Va.,  
m. Mary \_\_\_\_\_.  
Child.

- I. Benjamin Hodges, d. 1753,  
m. Constance (Goodrich) Harrison.

#### A Still and a Jug of Old Nash

Thomas Davis, in providing for Hartwell Davis, stated in his will, "And  
also my large Still during the Life of my Wife I give her the use of and after  
her Decease I give the same to my Said Son Dolphin."

A History of North Carolina, published by John Hill Wheeler, in 1851  
contains the following story:

About 1778, Capt. Beard, attacked the house of James Drake, Esq., of  
Nash County, with a band of Tories. There were at the time, in the house, no  
men but Mr. Drake, his brother-in-law and his son Albritain, then about  
seventeen - - - . The Tories surrounded the house, and ordered a surrender.  
Old Mr. James Drake seized a gun and advanced on the foe, but his gun missed  
fire - - - Beard was met by young Albritain Drake, with a cutlass; at the first  
blow young Drake's sword struck the joist above his head, and broke off at the  
hilt; he was knocked down. The old man then joined in the melee with his gun  
clubbed; but was soon cut down by the sword of Beard, and was so severely wounded  
that "he was a gore of blood." Seeing her husband cut down, old Mrs. Drake rushed  
in, not with a weapon, but with a jug of old Nash, even to this day celebrated  
for its excellent flavor. Her entreties and the more potent influences of  
the liquor, produced a parley. She plied them so liberally with the brandy,  
that peace was restored.



Robert Hodges, d. 1687, emigrated from London to Virginia in 1636. He is listed in both Hotton's "Original Lists of Immigrants" and in Green's "Early Virginia Immigrants". He settled in Isle of Wight County, Va.

m.

Elizabeth Higgins, daughter of Mary and Francis Higgins.

Children. (Legatees of Roger Higgins, d. 1672).

- I. John Hodges.
- II. Elias Hodges, d. 1729,  
m. Sarah \_\_\_\_\_.
- III. Roger Hodges, d. 1720,  
m. Mary \_\_\_\_\_.

Francis Higgins emigrated from London to Virginia in 1651. He is listed in Greer's "Early Virginia Immigrants". On Aug. 14, 1752, he was issued a grant for 250 acres of land lying in James Town County "on head of the first swamp of the Blackwater." (Isle of Wight was formed from James Town County).

m.

Mary \_\_\_\_\_.

Children.

- I. James Higgins.
- II. Roger Higgins, d. 1672.
- III. Elizabeth Higgins, m. Robert Hodges, d. 1687.

Mrs. Francis Higgins m. 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ Lupo.

#### Will of Roger Higgins, d. 1672.

Roger Higgins: Of Upper Parish. Leg. - mother Mary Lupo; brother James Higgins; godson Roger Hodges; to my brother Robert Hodges' eldest son John; to his second son Elias; to his third son Roger; to James Lupo.

Dated Aug. 10, 1672

Recorded Nov. 13, 1672.

#### Sale of the Higgins Farm, 1672.

On Oct. 24, 1672, "Richard Williamson of Surry, son and heir of Richard Williamson late of Isle of Wight," sold to Arthur Davis, 250 acres on the Blackwater, from patent of Francis Higgins bearing date 14 Aug. 1652.



Capt. John Goodrich, b. 1652, d. 1696, of Isle of Wight Co., Va.,  
m. ca. 1673,

Ann Bechinoe, d. ca. 1712, dau. of Edward Bechinoe.

Both Capt. John Goodrich and his wife were born after their fathers had become land owners in Isle of Wight near Blackwater River.

Capt. John Goodrich was one of "His Majesty's Loyal Subjects in the Upper Parish of Isle of Wight" who signed a document, dated May 5, 1677, expressing confidence in Gov. Berkeley. He was a member of the House of Burgess in 1695 but died before the second session of the General Assembly in 1696. In 1689 in proving the will of Giles Linscott he gave his age then as 37.

Children.

I. Elizabeth Goodrich, d. 1737,  
m. Francis Wrenn, b. 1649, d. 1719, an attorney of Isle of Wight County, Va.

II. George Goodrich, d. 1721,  
m. \_\_\_\_\_.

Children.

1. Elizabeth Goodrich,  
m. Joseph John Clinch, d. 1756 of Surry County, Va.

III. John Goodrich, d. 1747,  
m. Mary \_\_\_\_\_.

Children.

1. Mary Goodrich, b. Mar. 24, 1721. Her name, with the date of her birth, and the names of her parents is recorded on the pages of a register of the Old Brick Church, near Smithfield, Va.

2. John Goodrich, b. 1722, d. Nov. 1785,  
m. Margaret Bridgers, b. 1732, d. Apr. 2, 1810, a dau. of Joseph Bridgers, the third of his name to serve as a vestryman in the Old Brick Church.

John Goodrich was a native of Virginia but he was a loyalist. After his property was confiscated, during the Revolutionary War, he went to England. He and his wife and their two sons are buried at Topsham Church, Devon, England.

3. Edward Goodrich, d. 1759, in Isle of Wight Co., Va.,  
m. 1754, Juliana Davis, dau. of John Davis.

4. Ann Goodrich,  
m. \_\_\_\_\_ Gray.

IV. Honour Goodrich, d. 1760,  
m. 1st. James Wilson, d. 1721,  
m. 2nd. Thomas Peirce, d. 1742, a vestryman in the Old Brick Church.

V. Constance Goodrich,  
m. 1st. John Harrison, d. ca. 1725, of Isle of Wight.  
m. 2nd. Benjamin Hodges, d. 1753, of Isle of Wight.  
Child.

1. Hartwell Hodges, d. 1796,  
m. 1st. Thomas Davis, d. 1764, of Halifax Co., N. C.  
m. 2nd. James Drake, b. 1725, d. 1790, of Nash Co., N. C.

VI. Mary Goodrich.

Mrs. Ann Goodrich m. 2nd. 1698, Capt. Robert Koe, d. 1703. She married 3rd. ca. 1705, George Riddick, d. 1727. She had no children by this second or third marriage.

Will of Capt. John Goodrich, d. 1696

Capt. John Goodrich, in his will dated Jan. 13, 1696, proved June 9, 1696, named his wife and children and mentioned land left to his dau. Elizabeth by "her grandfather-in-law George Cripps."



John Goodrich, Sr., b. 1616, d. 1698, sailed Aug. 21, 1635, from "Ye Port of London for Virginea." On the passenger list of the George his age was given as 19 years. His name is on Hotton's Original Lists of Immigrants. He was one of "His Majesty's Loyal Subjects in the Upper Parish of Isle of Wight" who signed a document, dated Mar. 5, 1677, expressing confidence in Gov. Berkeley.

m. 1st. ca. 1651,

Name unknown.

Children.

- I. Capt. John Goodrich, b. 1652, d. 1696,  
m. ca. 1673, Ann Bechinoe, d. ca. 1712.  
Children. (See p. 73.)

- II. Capt. Charles Goodrich,  
m. \_\_\_\_\_.

Children.

1. Charles Goodrich.
2. Samuel Goodrich.
3. George Goodrich.

- III. Mary Goodrich

m. 2nd. ca. 1682,

Rebecca (Flake) Davis, d. 1706, widow of Solomon Davis, d. 1680.

Child.

- IV. John Goodrich II, b. 1683, d. ca. 1731,  
m. Sarah Womble.

Mrs. Rebecca Goodrich m. 3rd, 1701, Thomas Harebottle, d. 1704, and had children Elizabeth and Jane Harebottle. In her 1706 will Mrs. Harebottle mentioned her son John Goodrich.

Will of John Goodrich, Sr., d. 1698.

John Goodrich, Sr.: Of Upper Parish. Leg. - son Charles; wife Rebecca; John Goodrich, the son of my wife Rebecca, with reversion to my grandson John Goodrich, the son of Capt. John Goodrich.

Dated Aug. 20, 1695.

Recorded June 9, 1698.

Note - John Goodrich, Sr., married twice and in each case named a son John Goodrich.



Edward Bechinoe, b. 1628, d. 1679, of Isle of Wight Co., Va.,  
d. ca. 1650,

Mary \_\_\_\_\_.

In his will, dated and proved in 1679, Edward Bechinoe left his estate to his son George Bechinoe. He left 3 ells of fine hollands to "my daughter Ann". He was one of, "His Majesty's Loyal Subjects in the Upper Parish of Isle of Wight" who signed a document, dated Mar. 5, 1677, begging His Majesty to show "consideration" to Governor Berkeley.

Children.

- I. George Bechinoe, d. 1687, a signer of the Isle of Wight Petition in 1677,  
m. ca. 1680, Mary \_\_\_\_\_. She m. 2nd. ca. 1688, George Groves.

Children.

1. Mary Bechinoe.
2. Susanna Bechinoe.
3. Edward Bechinoe.

- II. Ann Bechinoe, d. 1712,  
m. 1st. ca. 1673, Capt. John Goodrich, b. 1652, d. 1696.  
Children. (See p. 73.)

m. 2nd. 1698, Capt. Robert Kae, d. 1703. No children.

m. 3rd. 1705, George Riddick, d. 1727. No children.

Mrs. Edward Bechinoe m. 2nd. ca. 1680, George Cripps, a Signer of the Isle of Wight Petition in 1677.

Will of George Cripps, d. 1687.

George Cripps, in his will, dated and proved in 1687, left land to "Edward Bechinoe, the son of George Bechinoe," with reversion to his two sisters, Mary and Susanna, not to be possessed "until their grandmother be dead." He also left land to "Elizabeth Gutridge the daughter of Capt. John Gutridge and Ann his wife, with reversion to her sisters Honour and Constance, "to be enjoyed by them after the decease of my loving wife."

Conyers Bechinoe.

Conyers Bechinoe of London, merchant, appointed his brother, Edward Bechinoe of Isle of Wight, his attourney to collect bills, Aug. 28, 1668.

Isle of Wight Signers.

In May 1676, because of Governor William Berkeley's indifference in not checking Indian hostilities, many of the Virginians gathered under the leadership of Nathaniel Bacon and marched against the Meherrin Indians. This proceedings being in defiance of Governor Berkeley's wishes, he proclaimed them rebels and had eighteen of them hung. One of the eighteen was William Drummond who had just returned to Virginia after serving as the first governor of Carolina. King Charles II called Berkeley back to England and is quoted as saying, "The fool hanged more men in that naked land than I put to death for the death of my father."

On Jan. 29, 1677, a fleet, with a regiment of the King's troops aboard, arrived in the James River carrying three Commissioners who were to investigate and report on the causes of Bacon's Rebellion and endeavor to restore order.



*made to George II.*

A petition<sup>made to George II.</sup> was presented to His Majesty's Commissioners, signed, Mar. 5, 1677, by seventy-two of "His Majesties Loyall Subjects in the Upper Parish of Isle of Wight County" begging that "consideration be shown to His Majestie's late Honorable Governor, Sir William Berkeley, who hath so long and peaceably Governed this country for His Majestie."

#### Signers.

Joseph Bridger  
Edward Bechinoe  
George Bechinoe

George Guttridge  
George Cripps  
John Davis

Robert Flake  
John Guttridge  
John Guttridge, Jr.

#### The Old Brick Church.

The following paragraph is copied from "Old Virginia Churches", published in 1857, by Bishop Meade:

"There is a tradition that the Old Brick Church a few miles from Smithfield was built in 1632 and was the second oldest in the Colony ----. Its thick walls and high tower are still firm, but the windows, doors, and all interior, are gone. Services were discontinued in 1832. The old church stands not far from the main road leading from Smithfield to Suffolk."

After nearly a century of neglect the people of Smithfield collected funds and restored the venerable building. It stands to-day beautiful within and without. All the windows are of stained glass. Its carved altar and reading desk and its marble fount were made in England. The pews are of original style, made of native heart pine. When the church was undergoing restoration a brick was found which differed in some respect from the others. A date cut into it, 1632 could be plainly seen.

During the Revolutionary War Col. Josiah Parker, a vestryman, placed the records of the Old Brick Church in a trunk and buried them. There the oldest vestry book disintegrated from dampness. One vestry book is now in existence. It is in the Isle of Wight courthouse. In it are the names of 66 members of the vestry who served after 1724. The names of 55 children, with the date of birth of each and the names of both of their parents, are recorded on the pages of an old parish register bound up in the vestry book.

#### Vestrymen.

Thomas Pierce  
Goodrich Wilson  
Samuel Davis

George Riddick  
John Goodrich  
John Davis

Dolphin Drew  
Joseph Bridgers  
Robert Koe



## Early Isle of Wight Documents.

The London Company established in 1607 a permanent colony at Jamestown in Virginia. In 1642 the company gave up its charter and Virginia became a crown colony. Under the royal government every person who emigrated to the colony and paid his own passage was entitled to fifty acres of land; and anyone who imported another person was entitled to fifty additional acres. After that year (1624) all land obtained by grant or purchase was recorded, wills were probated, etc. Also in 1624 Isle of Wight was divided, by the Blackwater River, into the Upper Parish which lay northeast of the river and the Lower Parish; for the established Church of England must be the religion of the colony. Many early church records are still in existence.

A good deal of this data on the ancestors of Thomas Davis and Hartwell (Hodges) Davis was gotten from three volumes compiled by Mrs. Blanche Adams - Chapman for Isle of Wight County, the first showing Marriages, 1628 - 1800, and the other two volumes showing Wills and Administrations, 1647 - 1800. Additional data was found in "Seventeenth Century Isle of Wight County, Virginia," by John Bennett Boddie.

William A. Graham Clark (1879-1953).

This data on the ancestors of Thomas Davis and Hartwell Hodges and the data on their children and grandchildren was collected in collaboration with William A. Graham Clark, of Washington, D. C., son of Chief-Justice Walter Clark and his wife Susan Washington Graham.



John Stevenson, d. ca. 1784, of Campbellton (now Fayetteville) N. C.,  
m. ca. 1762,

Mary \_\_\_\_\_ b. 1728, d. Oct. 1806. By family tradition John and Mary Stevenson were among the unhappy refugees who emigrated from Scotland to the lands along the lower Cape Fear River after the disastrous defeat of the Scots at Culloden in 1746. In a sketch of Dolphin Alston Davis, published in "Eminent and Representative Men," he is quoted as saying "On my mother's side I am directly descended from the Scottish Covenanters." The name of Mary Stevenson, with date of birth and death, is recorded after the name of Dolphin Davis, in the Bible of Benjamin Massenburg, now in possession of James Massenburg of Raleigh, N. C.  
Children.

I. Ann Stevenson, d. Jan. 5, 1820, m. Jan. 7, 1789, Dolphin Davis, b. Mar. 5, 1759, d. Nov. 8, 1818.  
Children. (See p. 62).

II. Margaret Stevenson, b. 1766, d. Sept. 14, 1829, m. 1st. 1785, James Leonard, of Fayetteville, N. C.  
Children.

1. Catherine Leonard, died in childhood.
2. John P. Leonard, b. 1792, d. after 1860.  
m. 1st. Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_ b. 1793, d. Oct. 13, 1829.  
m. 2nd. Oct. 29, 1830, Mollie Williamson. The census of 1840, 1850 and 1860 lists no children.

m. 2nd. Dec. 25, 1806, Samuel Pearce, d. Jan. 1, 1837, a native of Rhode Island. Settled in Fayetteville.  
Child.

3. Samuel Pearce, died in childhood.

#### Deeds, Newspaper Notices, etc.

On May 22, 1762, John Stevenson, tailor, bought a lot in Campbellton, N. C., for six pounds proclamation money.

On Feb. 19, 1784, the wife and two daughters of the late John Stevenson sold one half of a lot which they stated had been bought by him on May 22, 1762.

Dec. 30, 1785, Mary Stevenson, Ann Stevenson and James Leonard sold for £ 200 a lot on the south side of Cross Creek "being part of a one half acre lot purchased by John Stevenson, Taylor, bearing date 22 of May 1762." One of the witnesses was Dolphin Davis.

On the 25th, at Fayetteville, Mr. Samuel Pearce merchant, to Mrs. Margaret Leonard, both of that place.

Raleigh Register. Jan. 12, 1807.

In the archives of the First Presbyterian Church, of Fayetteville, there is an old record book of marriages, baptisms and deaths. In it there are several lists of members who were turned out of the church. Mrs. Margaret Pearce was dismissed in 1814. No reason was given for dismissal.

In Fayetteville, on the 14th instant, in the 64th year of her age, Mrs. Margaret Pearce, consort of Mr. Samuel Pearce. She was the oldest native female inhabitant of that town.

North Carolina State Gazette. Feb. 24, 1829.



In Fayetteville, Mr. Samuel Pearce, a native of Providence, R. I., at a very advanced age.

Raleigh Register. Jan. 3, 1839.

#### Will of Margaret (Stevenson) Pearce, d. 1829.

In her Cumberland County will, dated and proved in 1829, Margaret Pearce left all of her property to her nephew, Dolphin A. Davis, in trust, for Samuel Pearce and John P. Leonard with reversion, if John P. Leonard left no heirs, to Margaret Stevenson Ballard, Dolphin A. Davis, Elizabeth Leonard and Joseph Pearce. She added: "I empose it upon my executors to erect gravestones for myself and relatives, Viz: James Leonard, my son Samuel Pearce, Mary Stevenson and Catherine Leonard."

#### The Fayetteville Fire.

On the Sabbath, May 29, 1831, soon after church was dismissed, a fire broke out which consumed nearly the whole town of Fayetteville. Six hundred buildings were destroyed including about twenty pieces of rental property belonging to the estate of the late Margaret Pearce.

For several years prior to his death Dr. Goodorum Davis had acted as "agent" for his aunt, buying and selling land in Fayetteville and Cumberland County. She operated sawmills and sold lumber to the shipyards of Providence, Rhode Island.



William Henry Horah, b. Dec. 31, 1788, d. May 3, 1863. He was apprenticed to his father, Hugh Horah, a silversmith, and in early life worked as a silversmith. He was cashier of the State Bank of Salisbury and when this bank closed in 1834 he became a clerk in the Salisbury branch of the Bank of Cape Fear. In later life he returned to the trade of silversmith. He acquired the lot on the corner of Main and Horah Streets in 1817. The Bank was next to him on the corner of Bank and Main.

m. Jan. 6, 1814,

Louisa Furr, b. Jan. 15, 1797, d. May 26, 1846. Both are buried, with most of their children in the Old English Cemetery, Salisbury, N. C.  
Children.

- I. Hugh Horah, b. Apr. 16, 1815, d. July 4, 1860. A silversmith. Never married.
- II. Robert Moore Horah, b. Nov. 9, 1817, d. Sept. 4, 1841, m. March 24, 1840, Amelia (Davis) Ballard, b. July 23, 1807, d. Oct. 30, 1841.  
Child.
  1. Lewis Horah, b. Jan. 13, 1841, d. Sept. 16, 1841.
- III. Mary Elizabeth Horah, b. Feb. 5, 1820, d. Mar. 29, 1855, m. Nov. 1844, Dolphin A. Davis, b. July 28, 1802, d. Dec. 14, 1881.  
Children. (See p. 55.)
- IV. William Henry Horah, b. Jan. 17, 1822, d. Feb. 26, 1899. Never married.
- V. John Murphy Horah, b. Mar. 18, 1824, d. Feb. 15, 1899, succeeded his father as a clerk in the Bank of Cape Fear and later served as Clerk of the Rowan County Court, 1874-1890.  
m. Oct. 21, 1847, Margaret Stevenson Ballard, b. 1826, d. 1902, dau. of Amelia Davis and William Ballard.  
Children.
  1. Amelia Horah, b. Dec. 6, 1848, d. Aug. 1914, m. Oct. 26, 1870, Dr. Henry Foust.  
Child.
    - Lillian Foust, m. Walter Miller Cook.
  2. James Horah, b. Feb. 11, 1861, d. 1920, of Washington, D. C.  
m. Lilly Frobels.  
Child.
    - Lillian Horah.
  3. Alston Davis Horah, b. Sept. 20, 1866, d. ca. 1890.
- VI. James Horah, b. Nov. 28, 1826, d. July 30, 1864, was a silversmith. He advertised in Salisbury newspapers as a watchmaker and clock maker. Never married.
- VII. Franklin Horah, b. 1829, d. Feb. 26, 1898, of Charlotte, N. C., m. June 23, 1852, Margaret Reeves, b. 1835, d. 1903. Her Rowan County will mentions three grandchildren.  
Child.
  1. William Horah
- VIII. Ann Horah, b. Nov. 22, 1831, d. May 14, 1880, m. May 6, 1851, Alfred Johnson, b. June 15, 1824, d. May 11, 1898, a wagonmaker of Salisbury, N. C.  
Children.
  1. William Horah Johnston, b. May 4, 1852, d. July 11, 1852.
  2. Infant son, b. Feb. 11, 1854, d. Apr. 8, 1854.
  3. Robert Horah Johnston, b. 1856, m. Mollie Burke.



Child.

Margaret Johnston, taught school in Salisbury and Korea.

4. Mary Louise Johnston, b. 1858, m. John W. McKenzie.

Child.

Henry Horah McKenzie.

5. Isabella Murphy Johnston, b. Sept. 7, 1859, d. Nov. 15, 1895,  
m. \_\_\_\_\_ Stevens.  
6. George Horah Johnston, b. Nov. 26, 1860, d. Nov. 28, 1881.  
7. Euphrozine Johnston, b. June 24, 1862, d. Aug. 11, 1883.  
8. Josephine Johnston, b. 1864, d. July 7, 1888.

- IX. Henry Horah, b. 1834, d. Apr. 5, 1900. He and his brother Joseph were leading jewelers of Salisbury and lived together in the old Horah home on the corner of Main and Horah Streets. Never married.

- X. Rowan Horah, b. 1836, d. Dec. 21, 1894. Apprenticed to a cabinetmaker in Philadelphia, he made coffins for Salisbury and Rowan County.

m. Rosannah Arnhardt, b. 1843, d. 1913.

Children. (Mentioned in Census of 1880).

1. Robert Horah.
2. Thomas Horah.
3. George W. Horah, b. Dec. 29, 1873, d. Aug. 1954, of Prairie Grove, Ark., m. July 1890, Katherine Jackson. One daughter.
4. William L. Horah, b. Aug. 6, 1875, of Salisbury, N. C.,  
m. 1st. Mar. 1899, Annie Martin. Two daughters.  
m. 2nd. Apr. 1913, Gladys Donkle. One daughter.
5. Bessie F. Horah, b. Sept. 30, 1876, m. Nov. 23, 1898, James C. Ketchie, of Salisbury, N. C.

Children.

1. Dr. Meredeth Ketchie of Salisbury, N. C., m. Ruth Ferrell of Zebulon, N. C.
2. Lester Ketchie died at the age of 15 months.
3. Delmer Horah Ketchie, m. Lillian Kiblinger. One son, Delmer, Jr.
4. Hazeline Elizabeth Ketchie, m. 1926, Ray R. Hinkle of Charlotte, N. C.
6. Hugh Horah, b. Jan. 28, 1878, d. Apr. 19, 1896.
7. Daisy Horah, b. May 1879, d. 1880.
8. Franklin Horah, b. Sept. 7, 1880, d. 1881.

- XI. Joseph Horah, b. Jan. 17, 1839, d. Jan. 17, 1903, a jeweler, m. May 26, 1868, Lucy James, b. Sept. 22, 1848, d. May 16, 1914.

Children.

1. A daughter, died in infancy.
2. Reared Lucy Virginia Brown, a daughter of Jeremiah N. Brown and Virginia James.

- XII. George Horah, b. July 24, 1841, d. May 5, 1864, a lieut. in the 46th N. C. Reg., killed in the Battle of the Wilderness, m. Feb. 29, 1864, Sophia Kluttz. No children.



Hugh Horah, b. 1760, d. Sept. 24, 1822, was a silversmith of Salisbury. He made and repaired clocks and watches and trained a number of apprentices. He is buried with his wife and son, and many of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, in the Old English Cemetery.

m. Jan. 14, 1788,

Mary Moore, b. 1768, d. Nov. 21, 1833, a daughter of Robert Moore and Martha Cunningham of the Jersey Settlement, Rowan County.

Child.

- I. William Henry Horah, b. Dec. 31, 1788, d. May 3, 1863,  
m. Jan. 6, 1814, Louisa Furr, b. Jan. 15, 1797, d. May 26, 1846.  
Children. (See p. 80).

#### Guests at the Ball.

The most distinguished visitor that Salisbury has ever welcomed was General George Washington. There was a grand ball given to the President at Hughes Hotel, attended by the prominent gentlemen and ladies of Salisbury and vicinity - Maxwell Chambers and his wife, Spruce Mackey, Esq., Adlai Osborne, Esq., Capt. John Beard and his wife, Hugh Horah, and many others whose names are no longer preserved in a vanishing tradition.

Rumple's History of Rowan County.

#### The Court-house Clock.

General John Steele was born in Salisbury, Nov. 1, 1764. A singular story is told of a circumstance that occurred at his death. During the time he was comptroller (Comptroller of the Treasury under Washington) he presented to his native town a clock - the one now on the courthouse - and a bell. The night of General Steele's death the clock commenced striking and continued to strike many hundreds of times, until it was run down. Hugh Horah, a watchmaker, could do nothing with it. It was, all things considered a singular coincidence, and calculated to beget a superstitions awe in the minds of the people.

Rumple's History of Rowan County.

#### Silversmiths for a Hundred Years.

A pamphlet, "The Silversmiths of North Carolina," by George Barton Cutten, of Chapel Hill, himself an amateur silversmith, lists thirty-four silversmiths who worked in the state in the eighteenth century. The first five of these were located in Edenton; the ninth, David Woodson, was working in Salisbury as early as 1774. Hugh Horah, who came next on Mr. Cutten's list had been apprenticed to Mr. Woodson and so had his brother, Henry Horah, Jr. Unfortunately the name of Henry Horah, Jr., was omitted from the list.

The Horah brothers may each have been experts in the trade of making hand wrought silver and in making time pieces; or the term of silversmith may have been loosely used. Certainly Henry Horah made beautiful spoons and Hugh Horah made and repaired watches and clocks.

Among the apprentices of Hugh Horah were: his son William Henry Horah, his great-nephew James Hampton, his great-nephew John C. Palmer, and Thomas Trotter.

James Horah, fifth son of William Henry Horah, was a watch-maker and clock-maker.

By 1850 electroplating was becoming common and machinery was being installed in many shops but handwrought silver was made after that time. Henry and Joseph Horah, younger sons of William Henry Horah, had a jewelry store in Salisbury, continuing in business as late as 1890.



Henry Horah (O'Hara), a native of Ireland, d. 1772, in Salisbury. He was an innkeeper; after his death a licence to operate a tavern was issued to his widow.

Margaret Gardiner, d. ca. 1800.

"Henry Horah and Margaret Gardiner were married in Ireland. She was the daughter of a wealthy Lord and he was a weaver. Lord Gardiner was so enraged that Margaret married beneath her station that he disinherited her. They immigrated to America, settled in Salisbury and died there."

Jennie D. Morrison.

#### Children.

- I. Esther Horah, b. Dec. 17, 1755, d. Jan. 22, 1822, m. Col. James Brandon, d. 1814, a son of Ann Cathey and William Brandon. Both are buried, with most of their children at Thyratira Presbyterian Church, Rowan Co., N. C.
- Children.
1. William Brandon, b. 1798, d. Feb. 11, 1837. D. s. p.
  2. Priscilla Brandon, m. Jan. 29, 1809, William Gibson.
  3. Margaret Brandon, D. s. p.
  4. Sophia Gardiner Brandon, b. 1792, d. Dec. 31, 1846.
  5. Clarissa Hampton Brandon, b. 1793, d. Aug. 31, 1835, m. July 15, 1824, Thomas Kincaid.
  6. Mary Brandon, m. William Hampton, a silversmith.
  7. Elizabeth Brandon, m. Francis Gibson.
- II. Hugh Horah, b. 1760, d. Sept. 24, 1822, m. Jan. 14, 1788, Mary Moore, b. 1768, d. Nov. 21, 1833. Child. (See p. 82).
- III. Henry Horah, d. 1789, a silversmith of Salisbury, m. Feb. 12, 1784, Nancy Hampton.
- Child.
1. Elizabeth Horah, b. 1787, d. 1850, m. Feb. 13, 1809, Daniel Clary, d. 1832. No children.

Mrs. Nancy Horah married second Patrick Dougherty and had children James and Catherine Dougherty. The census of 1850 lists James Dougherty with one relative in his home, Elizabeth Clary. She died later in that year leaving her estate to him.

#### Rowan County Deeds.

In 1757 Henry Horah, Planter, bought Lot No. 9, in Salisbury from Bostian Blois, Tailor.

In 1758 Henry Horah, Inn Holder, and Margaret Horah his wife sold Lot No. 9 to William Williamson, Hatter.

In 1765 Benjamin Roberson sold a lot in Salisbury to Henry Horah, Jr., son of Henry Horah, Sr., for £ 7.

In 1765 Benjamin Roberson sold a lot in Salisbury to Hugh Horah son of Henry Horah, Sr., for £ 7. (Hugh Horah was five years old).

On May 7, 1772, Henry and Margaret Horah sold to John Frohock 180 acres of land in Rowan County.



Rowan County Court Minutes.

Nov. 6, 1772, James Brandon qualified as guardian for Henry Horah, orphan of Henry Horah, dec., with Richard Brandon as security.

Sept. 20, 1775, John Gardiner qualified as administrator of the estate of Henry Horah, dec., in place of John Carson, dec., with James Brandon as security.

Rowan County Deeds.

Feb. 1773, Elizabeth Horah, Seamstress, brought the most westernly quarter of Lott No. 17, for L 5, from William Frohock, Gentleman. (Who was she?)

On Jan. 30, 1800, Margaret Horah, widow, sold a lot in Salisbury to David Woodson, Jr.

John Gardiner, d. 1794, planter and miller was, apparently, a brother of Margaret Gardiner Horah. The name of his wife is not known. He named his children in his will.

Children.

- I. James Gardiner, d. 1804, m. Nov. 1, 1797, Jennet Brumhead. Hugh Horah was James Gardiner's bondsman when he was married and the executor of his will.
- II. John Gardiner, d. 1831, m. July 25, 1786, Margaret Moore. (B) Henry Horah.
- III. Francis Gardiner, d. ca. 1782, m. May 19, 1778, Jennet Kerr.
- IV. Martha Gardiner, m. Sept. 5, 1789, William Vickers.
- V. Robert Gardiner.
- VI. Jeane Gardiner, m. May 16, 1786, Joseph Sawyer. (B) Henry Horah.
- VII. Susannah Gardiner, m. Oct. 19, 1774, Phillip Howard. (B) John Brandon.

Thyratira Presbyterian Church.

Jan. 17, 1753, John Lynn deeded twelve acres of land to "Ye Congregation Belonging to the Meeting house Between the Yatking River & ye Catabo Adhering to a Minister Licend from a prospetery belonging to the old Sinet of Philadelphia."

In presence of  
William Brandon  
John Gardiner.

Naomi Lynn's  
John Lynn.



Robert Moore, b. 1735, d. Sept. 12, 1779. He was a native of Ireland; immigrated to America in 1763; lived in the Jersey Settlement in Rowan (now Davidson) County, North Carolina. He was elected a member of the Committee of Safety for Rowan County on Aug. 20, 1775, and was appointed a Justice of the Peace on Dec. 23, 1776. He and his wife are buried at the Jersey Meeting-house with most of their children.

m. Dec. 29, 1763,

Martha Cunningham, d. Aug. 1, 1822.

Children.

- I. William Moore, b. Feb. 11, 1765, d. Mar. 27, 1835, of Davidson County, N. C., was a planter and a surveyor. In the Hall of History there is a Map of the Town Lands of Salisbury, North Carolina, made by W. Moore and dated 1823.  
m. Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_, b. Nov. 25, 1774, d. Nov. 17, 1845.

Children.

1. Mary Moore, b. Feb. 12, 1799, died before 1825.
2. Elizabeth Moore, b. July 31, 1804, d. Aug. 5, 1887.
3. Robert Moore, b. Mar. 4, 1808, d. Apr. 7, 1876, m. Oct. 2, 1839, Theodosia Pinkston.
4. William P. Moore, b. Mar. 31, 1810, d. Jan. 16, 1896.
5. Ebenezer Moore, b. July 30, 1812, d. Nov. 21, 1849.

- II. Jane Moore, b. Mar. 5, 1767, d. Sept. 7, 1776. Buried at Jersey Church.

- III. Mary Moore, b. Mar. 13, 1769, d. Nov. 21, 1833, m. Jan. 14, 1788, Hugh Horah, b. 1760, d. Sept. 24, 1822. Child. (See p. 82.)

- IV. Elizabeth Moore, b. Mar. 31, 1771. Living in the home of Dr. Robert Moore in 1825.

- V. Dr. Robert Moore, M. D., b. Sept. 4, 1773, d. July 11, 1828, of Davidson County, N. C.,

m. 1st. Feb. 11, 1808, Polly Campbell, b. Mar. 15, 1792, d. Jan. 2, 1817, a daughter of Sarah and James Campbell.

m. 2nd. Dec. 22, 1818, Elizabeth Ellis, widow of Willis Ellis.

Children.

1. Robert Moore, b. Oct. 19, 1816, d. June 2, 1817.
2. Dr. Madison Moore, b. Aug. 5, 1809, d. in Statesville, N. C.
3. Franklin R. Moore, b. Nov. 16, 1811. Lived in Tenn.
4. Mary C. Moore, b. Jan. 27, 1814, m. John Beckham. Moved to Virginia.

- VI. Martha Moore, b. Mar. 7, 1776.

- VII. Ebenezer Moore, b. Feb. 25, 1779, d. Feb. 21, 1843, m. Margaret Jones, b. Mar. 29, 1788, d. Nov. 10, 1844, a daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth Jones. Every member of this family is buried at the Jersey Church.

Children. (Mentioned in their father's will.)

1. Ellen Moore, b. Dec. 8, 1807, d. Nov. 14, 1844. m. Dr. Burges L. Beall, b. Mar. 11, 1799, d. July 26, 1853.
2. Isaac A. Moore, m. Mary \_\_\_\_\_.

- VIII. Josiah Moore, b. Feb. 25, 1779, d. Sept. 25, 1779.

#### Jersey Settlement Moores.

"Robert Moore of Ireland is said to have come to America in 1763 (highly recommended by his minister James Proudfoot of Pequea, Lancaster Co., Pa., as sober & worthy of admission to any congregation on Oct. 21, 1765) married



Dec. 29, 1763 to Martha Cunningham of Earl Township, Lancaster County, Pa. by Alexander Murry (minister). Their children were:

William born Feb. 11, 1765 about one in the day of Monday.

Mary " Mar. 13, 1769 at nine in the forenoon.

Jane " " 5, 1767 at one in the day of Thursday.

Elizabeth born March 31, 1771 about one on Monday.

Robert born Sept. 4, 1773 about one A.M. Saturday.

Martha born Mar. 7, 1776 about midnight.

Ebenezer born Feb. 25, 1779, about one in the evening of Thursday followed by

Josiah born 15 minutes later.

Descended from above Ebenezer Moore is, Mrs. Caroline Moore (Beall) Calvert who lives with her two daughters (Mary Cornelia and Angeline Beall Calvert) and her brother James Beall on the old Cunningham & Moore lands near Linwood."

Note. This data on the Moore family was copied from a typewritten sheet found in the genealogical records of Mrs. McCubbins, now in the Salisbury library.

#### Will of Robert Moore, d. 1779.

Robert Moore, in his will dated and proved in 1779, left to his wife Martha Moore her right of dower. He also left land to his four sons, William, Robert, Ebenezer and Josiah Moore and his personal estate to his daughters, Mary, Elizabeth, and Martha Moore. He appointed his wife, Martha Moore, and "Joseph Cunningham, my trusty and well beloved brother" to execute his estate.

#### Will of Dr. Robert Moore, d. 1829.

I, Robert Moore, of Rowan County, N. C., - - - give to my wife Elizabeth Moore, 170 acres of land and all of the household and kitchen furniture which she possessed previous to our marriage.

I give to my beloved daughter, Mary C. Moore, one gold Eagle, a present from her grandfather Campbell to her mother, and also all of her mother's jewelry and household furniture, also my large Bible, one hymn book and all my books on moral and religious subjects.

I give to my beloved sons, Madison Moore and Franklin Moore, all my books on languages, philosophy, medicine and other subjects, to be divided between them, also my medicines and shop furniture.

I also give to my sons, Madison Moore and Franklin Moore and my daughter, Mary C. Moore, all the landed estate I possessed previous to my marriage with my present wife as specified in a deed of trust given to my brother, Ebenezer Moore, for their use, on the day of my marriage with my present wife as she did on that day relinquish all claim to my landed estate in consideration of her having made over all her lands to her sons, James Ellis and Henry Ellis.

I give unto my beloved sister Elizabeth Moore, as much land as will afford her a comfortable home, with the privilege of living in my dwelling house or having a convenient house built. "I give one hundred dollars for the purpose of procuring good marble tombstones, with suitable inscriptions, for the graves of my father and mother, my wife and son Robert, my brother Josiah and my sister Jane, and my brother William's daughter Mary."



I appoint my beloved brother, Ebenezer Moore, and my beloved nephew William H. Horah executors.

Signed Sept. 17, 1825

Robert Moore.

Note. The marble tombstone erected, ca. 1828, above the grave of Robert Moore is badly broken and the inscription is almost obliterated. The tiny stones which mark the graves of Jane and Josiah Moore, made of native flint rock, are in good condition. No trace can be found of the other tombstones ordered by Dr. Moore.

Ebenezer Moore is buried, with his family, near the grave of his father, and the Cunningham graves are next to the Moore graves.

#### The Calvert House.

Mrs. Caroline Beall and her family are still (in 1957) living on the old "Cunningham tract," which came to her through inheritance. Her home is very lovely.

Dr. Robert Moore and Ebenezer Moore lived on the land, willed to them by their father. They used water from the same spring. In the next generation Dr. Burges Lamar Beall rolled the two houses to the top of the hill and made them into the house where the Calverts live today. Someone later added Dr. Robert Moore's old office to the house and, in every generation, the building and grounds have been kept in perfect condition.

Dr. Burges Beall married, second, Elizabeth Hogan. When she was left a widow she lived on in his house until she was married to the banker, D. A. Davis, of Salisbury.



William Cunningham (Coningham) of Lancaster County, Pa., and Augusta County, Va.,

m.

Gennet Murray.

William Cunningham and Robert Cunningham were on Capt. John Christian's List of Augusta County Militia in 1742. William Cunningham presented two children for baptism, at Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Meeting-house, near Staunton, Va., one in 1746, and one in 1748. On Feb. 13, 1749, he was issued a tract of 95 acres of land on Hogshead Run, in Beverley Manor, Augusta County; and on Nov. 19, 1755, he, with wife Gennet, sold land on Moffet's Creek in Beverley Manor.

William Cunningham was mentioned as "my son-in-law" by Mary Murray, widow, late of Augusta County, in her Rowan County will, signed Oct. 30, 1756.

Children.

I. Joseph Cunningham, b. 1738, d. Feb. 5, 1801, of Rowan County, (now Davidson) N. C.,

m. Anny \_\_\_\_\_, b. 1742, d. May 3, 1803. Both are buried at Jersey Church.

Children. (Mentioned in their father's will.)

1. William Cunningham, m. Oct. 12, 1789, Ann Hendrix.
2. John Cunningham, m. Jan. 28, 1794, Hannah Davis.
3. Elizabeth Cunningham, m. Aug. 24, 1788, Robert Dial.
4. Martha Cunningham, m. Sept. 19, 1791, Vaskel Jams.
5. Joseph Cunningham, b. 1770, d. Apr. 10, 1803,  
m. Mary \_\_\_\_\_. In his will Joseph Cunningham, Jr.,  
appointed "my uncle Hugh Cunningham and my brother Robert Cunningham  
to act in my place as executors of my father's estate."
6. Robert Cunningham, m. May 9, 1804, Mary Simeson.
7. George Cunningham.
8. Mary Cunningham, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Yarborough.
9. Rosanna Cunningham, m. Oct. 6, 1784, Archibald Huston.
10. Griffith Cunningham, m. Dec. 13, 1808, Nancy Sloan.
11. Rachel Cunningham, m. Apr. 8, 1806, John Chapman.

II. Martha Cunningham, d. Aug. 1, 1822, m. Dec. 29, 1763, Robert Moore, b. 1735, d. Sept. 12, 1779. In his will Robert Moore appointed "my brother Joseph Cunningham to execute this my will." The Moores and the Cunninghams are buried in the same section of the Jersey graveyard.

III. Hugh Cunningham, d. 1817, in Rowan County, N. C.  
m. 1st. Sept. 5, 1774, Elizabeth Smith, daughter of Peter and Barbara Smith.  
m. 2nd. Feb. 10, 1780, Mary Kent.

Children. (Mentioned in their father's will.)

1. Ruth Cunnincham, m. Jan. 29, 1795, William Pinkerton.
2. Hugh Cunningham.
3. Mary Cunningham, m. Sept. 13, 1803, Henry Yarbrough.
4. Alse Cunningham, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Howard.
5. Jane Cunningham, m. May 27, 1813, Anthony Huffman.
6. Josiah Cunningham, m. Aug. 18, 1811, Sarah Heasley.
7. Martha Cunningham, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Moore.
8. Nancy Cunningham, m. Dec. 25, 1816, William Cunningham.
9. Susanna Cunningham.
10. Noah Cunningham.
11. Marian Cunningham, m. Dec. 16, 1820, Adam Lowry.
12. Elizabeth Cunningham, m. Feb. 3, 1819, John Trantham.
13. John Cunningham, m. Aug. 13, 1819, Betty Cooper.



- IV. Margaret Cunningham, baptized July 1746, by the Rev. John Craig, at Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church, Augusta County, Va.
- V. Elizabeth "Ealse" Cunningham, baptized Sept. 15, 1748, at Tinkling Spring, Augusta County, Va., d. Aug. 1, 1779. She is buried in line with and near the grave of Joseph Cunningham, d. 1801, at Jersey Church. Her name is given on her tombstone as Ealse Cunningham and her age as 31 years on Aug. 1, 1779. (Longhead's Dictionary of Given Names lists Else, Ealsie, Alse and Alsie as diminutives for Elizabeth.)

#### Beverley Manor.

In 1736 Governor William Gooch granted a tract of 118,491 acres of land lying on the Shenandoah River in Orange County (now Augusta) called Beverley Manor to William Beverley, Sir John Randolph and Richard Randolph. William Beverley began selling land in 1738. It was not until that year that title to land could be secured in the Shenandoah Valley.

#### Augusta Parish Vestry Book

Records in the Augusta Parish Vestry Book show the names of William and John Cunningham, added to the list of tithables on Aug. 28, 1750. The list for 1757 gives William Cunningham, North Mountain and William Cunningham, near Hart's; and the list for 1762 gives John Cunningham, Staunton and John Cunningham, Borden's Land. After 1760 the number of men by the name of William Cunningham and John Cunningham, in Augusta County, makes identification difficult.

The majority of Beverley Manor settlers were of Scotch ancestry from Pennsylvania or directly from Ireland and consequently the tract was frequently called the "Irish Tract."

Virginia was a Crown Colony and tithes must be paid by all landowners to the Established Church of England. It is claimed that when the Augusta County Court elected vestrymen for the parish, formed in 1746, only one of the twelve was a Church of England member. The first Parish Fee Book shows that a vast amount of relief work was done, with the funds received, at a very small cost. Mention was made of five shillings paid for having a man's grave dug and for furnishing "a bare skin to lay him on."



William Murray, d. ca. 1756, of Augusta County, Va., and Rowan County, N. C.  
m.

Mary \_\_\_\_\_, d. 1756, in Rowan County, N. C.

On Aug. 17, 1753, William Murray, carpenter and joiner, was issued lot No. 12, in the town of Staunton, Va., in payment for building the Augusta County courthouse; and, on July 4, 1754, William Murray, of Rowan County, N. C., sold lot No. 12 in Staunton, to John Pickens of Augusta County. Both deeds are registered in Augusta.

In her Rowan County will, signed Oct. 30, 1756, Mary Murray, widow, left five shillings each to two sons and two sons-in-law who do not appear to have moved to North Carolina. She left more substantial legacies to her son John Murray and her daughter Isabella Murray Reed.

Children.

- I. \_\_\_\_\_ Murray, m. John Dixson.
- II. Robert Murray.
- III. James Murray.
- IV. Gennet Murray, m. William Cunningham. Children. (See p. 88 and 89).
- V. John Murray.
- VI. Isabella Murray, moved to South Carolina, m. Samuel Reed, d. ca. 1769, in Rowan County, N. C. In a deed dated June 19, 1753, Robert Reed conveyed to Samuel Reed 630 acres of land lying in Rowan on Third Creek and North side of Catawba River near Thyratira Church. On Mar. 10, 1769, Isabella Reed, widow of Samuel Reed, and Murray Reed, son of Samuel Reed, dec., both of South Carolina, sold the Reed farm in Rowan County to Matthew Locke, of Rowan.  
Children.
  1. Murray Reed, moved to South Carolina.
  2. Samuel Reed, member of the Committee of Safety for Rowan County in 1775.  
m. Agnes \_\_\_\_\_.

Will of Mary Murray, d. 1756.

I Mary Murray, widow, of the Province of North Carolina and the County of Rowan, farmer, being very sick and weak in body - - - - -

I give and bequeath unto my son-in-law John Dixson the sum of five shillings. I give and bequeath unto my son Robert Murray the sum of five shillings. I give and bequeath unto my son-in-law William Cunningham the sum of five shillings. I give and bequeath unto my son James Murray the sum of five shillings. I give and bequeath unto my son John Murray the sum of forty-five pounds, one shilling, three pence and one horse and one feather bed. I give and bequeath unto my grandson Murray Reed one horse. I give unto my daughter Isabella Reed my clothes and what remains of my effects. I make and ordain my well beloved son-in-law Samuel Reed and my own well beloved son John Murray my executors of this my lawful will.

In presence of  
John Willson  
Samuel Reed, Jr.  
Margaret Reed

her  
Mary ~~X~~ Murray  
mark.

Dated Oct. 30, 1756.

Recorded Apr. Court 1757.



Hugh McAden's Journal.

June 1755. "Here at the Forks of the James in the Sherando Valley it was I received the most melancholy news of the entire defeat of our army by the French at Ohio, General Braddock killed. - - - The difficulties and dangers increased till many of the inhabitants of Augusta fled to the more quiet frontiers of North Carolina."

Tobias Furrer was born in Cabarrus County, N. C., and died, 1797, in Salisbury. He was an innkeeper.

m. Aug. 12, 1790,

Barbara Smith, b. Oct. 14, 1769, d. May 6, 1845.

Children.

- I. Mary Furr, b. Feb. 5, 1793, d. Jan. 23, 1867, m. Apr. 4, 1811, John Murphy, b. Jan. 19, 1779, d. May 3, 1848, a son of James Murphy who emigrated from Glasgow, Scotland, to Salisbury. He was a merchant and transported most of his merchandise by team from Fayetteville. Both are buried with their children at St. John's Lutheran Church.

Children.

1. William Murphy, b. Apr. 7, 1812, d. Oct. 29, 1867,  
m. 1st. Jan. 9, 1834, Ellen Hampton, b. 1815, d. Feb. 3, 1844.  
m. 2nd. July 25, 1845, Susan Chunn, b. 1825, d. May 9, 1900.
2. James Murphy, b. Sept. 22, 1821, d. July 2, 1874, m. Dec. 20, 1844,  
Elizabeth Chunn, b. 1823, d. Oct. 1, 1892.
3. Robert Murphy, b. Mar. 21, 1826, d. Oct. 8, 1892, m. Apr. 27, 1847,  
Mary R. Long, b. Oct. 19, 1826, d. June 26, 1881.
4. Mary Ann Murphy, b. Sept. 1829, d. July 21, 1831.
5. Andrew Murphy, b. 1832, d. 1905, m. June 1, 1852, Helen W. Long. Their  
son Walter "Pete" Murphy was Speaker of the House, 1913-1917.
6. Joseph Murphy, b. Nov. 11, 1834, d. Aug. 18, 1835.

- II. Elizabeth "Betsy" Furr, b. June 24, 1795, m. Jan. 20, 1811, Samuel Lemly, b. 1790, d. Feb. 6, 1848. A merchant of Salisbury, moved to Jackson, Miss. A notice of his death was carried in the Fayette Observer on Feb. 15, 1848.

Children.

1. Samuel Lemly, M. Oct. 23, 1839, Emeline Steele.
2. Henry A. Lemly, b. Mar. 12, 1812, d. Jan. 7, 1868, m. Amanda Conrad, b. July 24, 1816, Nov. 24, 1910, a great-granddaughter of Jacob Loesch (Lask) one of the twelve "brothers" who founded the village of Bethabara in 1753. Both are buried at the Moravian Church, Salem, N. C.
3. Mary E. Lemly, b. Mar. 10, 1822, d. Feb. 23, 1892, m. John I. Shaver, b. June 17, 1810, d. Aug. 27, 1875.

- III. Louisa Furr, b. 1797, d. May 26, 1846, m. Jan. 6, 1814, William H. Horah, b. Dec. 31, 1888, d. May 3, 1863.

Children. (See p. 80.)

Barbara (Smith) Furrer, b. Oct. 14, 1769, d. May 6, 1847,  
m. 2nd,

Jeremiah Brown, b. Feb. 14, 1771, d. 1814, a son of Macreda and Michael Braun of the Old Stone House.



Both are buried in the cemetery at St. John's Lutheran Church, Salisbury, N. C.

Children.

- I. Margaret Brown, b. Oct. 11, 1800, d. 1826, m. Jan. 15, 1818, Thomas Dickson, d. ca. 1845.

Children.

1. Thomas Dickson, b. 1824.
2. Isabella Dickson, b. 1826, m. Nov. 27, 1851, N. R. Windser.
3. William Dickson, b. 1830.
4. Mary Dickson, b. 1832, m. Nov. 3, 1853, Henry M. Mills.
5. Martha Dickson, b. 1834.
6. Barbara W. Dickson, b. 1838, m. Dec. 16, 1857, William F. Gales, d. 1836.

- II. Sarah Delia Brown, b. ca. 1803, d. ca. 1840, m. June 28, 1821, John Coughenour, d. Aug. 16, 1843.

Children.

1. William Coughenour, b. May 12, 1822, d. Sept. 8, 1910, m. Elizabeth b. 1836. Franklin, N. C.
2. John A. Coughenour, b. Oct. 10, 1823, d. Feb. 25, 1845.
3. Mary Coughenour, b. 1825, m. Nov. 30, 1844, John P. Krider.
4. Anne E. Coughenour, b. 1827.
5. Elizabeth Coughenour, b. Apr. 3, 1830, d. June 11, 1883.
6. Franklin Coughenour, b. Dec. 24, 1831, d. Feb. 15, 1852. He and his brother John are buried at St. John's.
7. Margaret Coughenour, b. 1836, m. May 18, 1853, James C. Burkhead.
8. Barbara Jane Coughenour, b. 1840, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Rainey.

- III. Jeremiah Michael Brown, b. May 18, 1808, d. Mar. 22, 1868, m. 1st. Margaret \_\_\_\_\_ (1813-1833.)

m. 2nd. Margaret Fraley (1814-1842.)

m. 3rd. Elizabeth "Eliza" Lucas (1824-1846.)

m. 4th. Charlotte Veable (1823-1891.)

Children.

1. Margaret Ann Brown, died in infancy.
2. William Tobias Brown, (1843- .)
3. Mary Ann Brown (1836-1908.)
4. Amanda Brown (1838-1901.)
5. Henrietta Brown (1840-1904.)
6. Charles Michael Brown (1848-1919.)  
m. Mary Martin.
7. Jeremiah Moses Brown (1850-1926.)  
m. 1st. Virginia James. Their daughter Lucy Brown was reared by Lucy James and Joseph Horah.  
m. 2nd. Mar. 25, 1885, Catherine Krider.

Will of Barbara Brown, d. 1847.

Barbara Brown willed all of her property to her Coughenour grandchildren who had lost both of their parents.



## The "Old Stone House."

"About three miles southeast of Salisbury and near the old "Trading Path" stands a remarkable relic of the early settlement of Rowan. It is known far and wide as the "Old Stone House." A smooth stone tablet over the door tells the visitor that Michael Braun erected the house in 1766.

Two hundred yards from the house is the family cemetery. The stone over the grave of Macreda Braun, who died July 30, 1771, aged 37, states in German that she was the wife of Michael Braun and the mother of nine "kinder."

The youngest son of Michael Braun of the "Old Stone House" was Jeremiah. He married the widow of Tobias Furrer. Mrs. Furrer was the mother of three children by her first marriage - Mary Furrer, who married John Murphy; Elizabeth Furrer who married Samuel Lemly; and Louise Furrer who married William Henry Horah, all of Salisbury. By her second marriage with Jeremiah Brown she had also three children - Margaret Brown who married Thomas Dickson; Delia Brown who married John Coughenour; and the late Col. Jeremiah M. Brown, whose widow and children still live in Salisbury."

Rumple's History of Rowan County, P. 227.

Note - The "Old Stone House" is shown in both "Early Architecture of North Carolina" and in "Old Homes and Gardens." Restoration by four descendants was started in 1949 and now, in 1956, it stands beautiful within and without.



Heinrich Furrer, b. 1731, d. 1769,  
m. ca. 1751,  
Russena \_\_\_\_\_.

Heinrich Furrer was born July 6, 1731, in the Parish of Zell Canton of Lucerne, Switzerland and died, 1769, in Cabarrus County, N. C. At the age of 12 he immigrated with his parents to Charleston, S. C. On June 24, 1762, he bought a tract of 300 acres of land lying in Anson County (later Mecklenburg and now Cabarrus) where he settled just south of the Rowan County line. Five years later he bought 185 acres adjoining this tract. His name appears on a list of immigrants naturalized in Rowan County on Sept. 22, 1763, some of the others being Henry Gardner, Michael Braun, Frederick Fisher and Lawrence Lingle. Heinrich and Russena Furrer are buried in a family graveyard on their own land about one mile up Dutch Buffalo Creek from Georgeville, N. C. Both graves are marked with rough granite stones. On his is the date 1769. Descendants of Paul Furrer who live in the neighborhood say these are the graves of his father and mother. They also say that Heinrich Furrer immigrated to Charleston, S. C., and came, by wagon, to Cabarrus.  
Children.

I. John Furrer,  
m. 1st. \_\_\_\_\_.

m. 2nd. Aug. 4, 1783, Catherine Lyerly, daughter of John Christopher Lyerly.  
Children.

1. Henry Furr, b. May 11, 1777, d. Dec. 20, 1864, m. Nov. 12, 1802, Rhode Stallings, b. 1783, d. Dec. 11, 1858.
2. John Furr, b. Mar. 12, 1779, d. Sept. 27, 1847, m. Feb. 25, 1800, Abigail Stallings, b. 1780, d. Aug. 27, 1857.
3. George Furr.
4. Sallie Furr.
5. Tobias Furr.
6. Jacob Furr.
7. Rachel Furr, b. 1793, d. July 28, 1862, m. William Stallings, b. Dec. 6, 1785, d. Sept. 16, 1855.
8. Polly Furr, b. 1799, d. Mar. 26, 1874.

II. Paul Furrer, b. 1754, d. Dec. 4, 1837, lived on a tract of land on Dutch Buffalo Creek which he stated in his will, "I heired of my father." He and his wife are buried in a stone-walled graveyard on this farm barely one mile from the spot where his parents are buried.

m. Mary Stutts, b. 1763, d. Oct. 15, 1848.

Children.

1. Paul Furr, m. Oct. 18, 1803, Rosena Peck.
2. Henry Furr, m. Nov. 28, 1833, Betsy Lynker.
3. Leonard Furr, m. Oct. 8, 1832, Catherine Hoover.
4. Jacob Furr, b. 1791, d. 1815.
5. Daniel Furr, m. Oct. 11, 1821, Sophia Widenhouse.
6. Noah Furr, died in infancy.
7. Rosena Furr, m. George Klutts.
8. Catherine Furr, m. 1807, Christopher Osborne.
9. Polly Furr, m. George Ury.
10. Sarah Furr, b. Mar. 31, 1801, d. July 8, 1863, m. May 15, 1821, George Heilig, b. Aug. 30, 1798, d. Jan. 24, 1845. Both are buried at "Organ Church," Rowan Co.
11. Elizabeth Furr, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Roseman.



III. Mary Furrer, d. before 1800, in Rowan Co., N. C., m. Aug. 1783, Martin Rendleman, b. 1761, d. 1846, a nephew of John Stirewalt, the "Master builder." He married second Experience Harris. In his old age he moved with the two sons of his first marriage to Illinoise.  
Children.

1. John Rendleman, d. 1841, m. 1826, Sarah Hook, d. 1843.
2. Henry Rendleman, b. 1788, d. 1850, m. 1820, Cassandra Davis.

IV. Tobias Furrer, d. 1797, in Salisbury, N. C., m. Aug. 12, 1790, Barbara Smith, b. Oct. 14, 1769, d. May 6, 1845. She married, second, Jeremiah Brown.  
Children. (See p. 91.)

V. Catherine Furrer, d. 1797, m. John Aaronhart (Earnhart) d. 1795. On Aug. 8, 1797, Tobias Furrer qualified, in the Rowan County Court, as guardian for John, Peter, George and James Aaronhart, "orphans of John Aaronhart" and on the same day Henry Furrer qualified as guardian for Paul and Solomon Aaronhart, "orphans of John Aaronhart." On Feb. 7, 1798, Tobias Furrer having died, Henry Furrer qualified as guardian for George, Aaronhardt and Moses Brown (son of Michael Braun of the Old Stone House) qualified as guardian for John, Peter and James Aaronhart.

VI. Adam Furrer, on Feb. 6, 1798, was appointed by the Rowan County court administrator of the estate of Catherine Aaronhart who had left a noncupative will. Adam Furrer was probably one of "the rest of my children" to whom Heinrich Furrer referred in his will.

VII. Henry Furrer, b. Apr. 6, 1762, d. Dec. 24, 1851. When on Nov. 19, 1832, Henry Furrer applied for a Revolutionary War pension he claimed that he was born Apr. 6, 1762. A notice of his death in the Raleigh Register is as follows: "In Cabarrus, on the 24th of December last, Mr. Henry Furr, aged about 96 years. The last Revolutionary soldier living in Cabarrus has now passed away." He is buried with his second wife in Immanuel Cemetery, near China Grove, N. C.

m. 1st. "In Gov. Martin's term," Catherine Wysell, a daughter of Michael Wysell. She is buried at "Organ Church," Rowan County, N. C.

m. 2nd. Sept. 26, 1826, Catherine Goodman, b. 1794, d. Apr. 10, 1858.

Children.

1. John Furr, b. Sept. 15, 1786, d. Dec. 13, 1837, m. Apr. 18, 1808, Sarah Boger, b. Jan. 17, 1889, d. Jan. 15, 1857.
2. Elizabeth Caroline Furr, m. 1st. Mar. 27, 1809, Peter Aaronhart, son of Catherine Furrer and John Aaronhart.  
m. 2nd. 1844, Joshua Phillips.
3. Rachel Furr, m. 1810, Henry Misenheimer.
4. Rosena Furr, b. 1789, d. 1862, m. Joseph Eagle. They moved to Arkansas.
5. Sophia Furr, m. Apr. 14, 1813, John Eagle.
6. Henry Furr, m. 1824, Elizabeth Croner.
7. Daniel Furr, m. Miss Lowrance, of Iredell County, N. C. They moved to Arkansas.
8. Tobias Furr, m. July 11, 1821, Sarah Plunket.
9. Paul M. Furr, the child of the second marriage, m. 1855, Carrie L. Cruise.

Will of Heinrich Furrer, d. 1769.

Sept. 27, 1769. I, Henry Furrer, of the County of Mecklenburg and the Province of North Carolina - - -

Item 1st. I give, devise and bequeath unto my eldest and loving son, John Furrer,



the land together with the improvements, whereon I now live, only that I first order the plantation to be valued by three freeholders and the valuation to be divided equally among each and every one of my children after he, the said John Furrer, has his share of the valuation allowed to him, he is to pay the rest of my children their share of the valuation as they come of age.

Item 2nd. I give, devise and bequeath unto my second and loving son, Paul Furrer, (torn) lying between my own land and Paul Barringer's (torn) only that I first order that the land be valued by three freeholders and the valuation be divided equally among each and everyone of my children and after he, the said Paul Furrer, has his share of the valuation allowed to him he is to pay the rest of my children their share of the valuation as they come of age.

Item 3rd. I give and bequeath unto my loving wife the third part of my personal estate - - - - I do hereby nominate and appoint my loving wife, Russena Furrer, and my trusty friend, Valentine Weaver, to execute this my last will and testament.

Witnesses

John Phiher

Heinrich Furrer.

Paulus Behringer

Valentine Weaver

The original will of Heinrich Furrer is in the vaults of the Hall of History, Raleigh, N. C. It is in the handwriting of Col. John Phiher (his signature as a witness for comparison), a son-in-law of Paul Barringer and a signer of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. The signature of Heinrich Furrer is in beautiful German script.

The Furrer Monument.

A simple monument in memory of Heinrich and Russena Furrer, placed in the little Furrer graveyard by their descendants, was unveiled on Aug. 15, 1954.



Bernhardt Furrer was born Sept. 19, 1697, in Switzerland. He emigrated, with his wife and two sons, from the Parish of Zell, in the Canton of Lucerne, to Charleston, S. C. This family sailed on Aug. 29, 1743, from Rotterdam.

m.

Babalji Zuppinger, b. Aug. 6, 1697.

Children.

I. Heinrich Furrer, b. July 6, 1731, d. 1769, in Cabarrus County, N. C.,

m. Russena

Children (See p. 94)

II. Hans Rudolsyf Furrer, b. Jan. 27, 1737.

"Lists of Swiss Emigrants in Eighteenth Century  
to the American Colonies."

Translated by

Albert Bernhardt Faust, A.B., Ph. D.

Vol. 1, p. 99 - 100. From the Parish of Zell, against all warnings and admonitions, there left for the purpose of going to Carolina, the following persons -

August 29, 1743.

Bernhardt Furrer, b. Sept. 19, 1697.

Babelji Zupperinger, wife, b. Aug. 6, 1697.

Children.

1. Heinrich, b. July 6, 1736

2. Hans Rudolsyf, b. Jan. 27, 1737.

Research Work Done by Lura Dunn Kelly.

Lura Dunn Kelly (Mrs. J. Nelson Kelly) of 1500 Lee Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia, is descended from Heinrich Furrer through his son Henry Furr, Jr., of Cabarrus County, N. C.

In a letter dated Feb. 18, 1957, Lura Kelly stated that some years ago, in the Genealogical Room of the Congressional Library of Washington, D. C., she found two small volumes called, "Lists of Swiss Emigrants in the Eighteenth Century to the American Colonies," by Albert Bernhardt Faust. These records were found by him in the Swiss Archives, in Zurich, and were translated and published by him.

In this publication Mr. Faust states that in Switzerland, between 1734 and 1750, decrees or mandates were issued against emigration every few years. The Central Authorities, in the year 1744, sent a circular letter to all the districts, which in turn sent the message to the pastors, demanding to know the names, with dates of birth, departure, etc., of every man, woman and child who had left the country between 1734 and 1744, with the purpose of going to Pennsylvania or Carolina.

These two volumes contained the pastors reports which had been copied into the parish record books. In Vol. 1, p. 99 - 100, the names of Bernhardt Furrer, his wife and two sons are recorded.



Col. George Michael Smith, b. 1727, d. Oct. 23, 1814,  
m. 1st, prior to 1756, Sarah Brandon, d. after July 28, 1803.  
m. 2nd. Mary \_\_\_\_\_ b. 1733, d. Jan. 15, 1814.

George Michael Smith was one of the Justices who prosided over the Rowan County Courts in 1753. (His signatures on the pages of the first book of the Trial Docket are identical with his signature on his will.) He was mentioned as a Colonel in the French and Indian War by Gov. Matthew Rowan in a report made in 1754 to the Board of Trade in London (N. C. Col. Records, Vol. II, p. 144). On Mar. 6, 1755, he procured 240 acres of land on the east side of the Yadkin River between Lick Creek and Cabin Creek. When he sold this land, Feb. 21, 1767, to Isreal Cox, he stated that he was "of Montgomery Township, Philadelphia County, Province of Pa."

George Michael Smith is buried on his old plantation, situated about half-way between Salisbury and the Yadkin River, with three of his grandsons. A stone nearby, with an illegible inscription, may mark the grave of Sarah Brandon Smith. On a stone next to the one which marks the grave of George Smith, is an unusual inscription: "My Dear Wife, Mary Smith, died Jan. 15, 1814, in her 81st year." This Mary Smith may have been married to George Smith in his old age.

Children.

- I. Susannah Smith, m. June 2, 1789, Adam Srote, d. 1821. (B) George Smith.
- II. Mary Smith, b. July 17, 1762, d. Mar. 19, 1845.  
m. 1st. Sept. 21, 1779, Leonard Swink of Rowan Co., N. C.  
m. 2nd. Jan. 23, 1805, William West of Franklin, N. C.
- III. William Smith, d. 1851, m. May 29, 1802, Elizabeth Neat.  
William Smith willed his property to his sons Daniel Smith and George W. Smith and to the children of his son Michael H. Smith, dec.  
Children.
  1. William J. Smith, d. May 5, 1819. He is buried in the Smith graveyard.
  2. David Smith, b. Apr. 17 (illegible) d. Jan. 22, 1831. On his tombstone, in the Smith graveyard is written, "Son of William and Elizabeth Smith."
  3. Michael H. Smith, b. Apr. 11, 1807, d. Oct. 8, 1840, m. Sept. 12, 1828, Sarah Ann Smith. He is buried by his brother David and on his tombstone is inscribed, "Son of Elizabeth and William Smith."
  4. Daniel M. Smith, m. Jan. 3, 1832, Nancy Walton. (B) George W. Smith.
  5. George W. Smith, m. Oct. 6, 1835, Matilda Walton.
- IV. Elizabeth Smith, m. Aug. 17, 1790, Henry Fultz.
- V. Jacob Smith, d. ca. 1824, of Dutch Buffalo Creek, Rowan County, N. C.  
m. Sarah \_\_\_\_\_.  
Children. (See Estate Records, Bk. A, p. 376.)
  1. Catherine Smith.
  2. Jacob G. Smith.
  3. Peter Smith.
  4. John Smith.
  5. Christena Smith.
  6. Sophia Smith.
- VI. George Smith, moved, ca. 1803, to Pulaski Co., Ky. m. Oct. 24, 1792, Elizabeth Ribely. In a Rowan County deed, dated Sept. 10, 1807, George Smith, Jr., of Pulaski County, Ky., sold to George Fisher of Rowan County 8 acres of land lying on Cranes Creek in Rowan County the same being a part of a grant from the State to the said George Smith, Jr., bearing date the 24th day of May, 1800. The deed was proved by Thomas Todd, his first cousin.



VII. Barbara Smith, b. Oct. 14, 1769, d. May 6, 1845.  
m. 1st. Aug. 12, 1790, Tobias Furrer, d. 1797.  
Children. (See p. 91.)  
m. 2nd. Jeremiah Brown, b. Feb. 14, 1771, d. 1814.  
Children. (See p. 91.)

Sarah "Sadarina" (Brandon) Smith.

Mecklenburg County Deeds.

Vol. 4, p. 238. On Aug. 7, 1767, George Smith, planter, and Sadarina Smith, his wife, of Rowan County sold to Conruth Brown of Mecklenburg County a tract of 350 acres of land lying in Mecklenburg on a branch of "Elik Krick" granted to George Smith by the State bearing date Oct. 17, 1764. The deed was witnessed by Mathias Barringer.

Dictionary of Given Names.

Longhead. Pub. 1934.

Sada, see Sarah.  
Sadie, see Sarah.  
Saida, see Sarah.  
Sarena, see Sarah.

Rowan County Deeds.

Vol. 21, p. 368. Know all men by these presents that I, Sarah Smith, for and in consideration of the natural affection which I feel towards by son, George Smith, and also in consideration of the many services by him rendered me in the support of my family I do hereby assign and transfer all my right an interest in and to a certain legacy devised to me by my mother, Elizabeth Brandon, to my above mentioned son for the use and benefit of him and his heirs. I have thereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of July, 1803.

Witnesses.

Matt Brandon.  
Richard Locke.

Sarah Smith.

This instrument of writing was recorded, Aug. Session, 1803.

Note. Compare with the will of Elizabeth Brandon on p. <sup>103.</sup>96.

Will of Col. George Smith, d. 1814.

I, George Smith, of Rowan County - - - - - My debts which are but few and small must be paid. - - -

Item: My son-in-law, Adam Srote, is to receive the share of my estate which was intended for his deceased wife, Susanna.

Item: The share of my deceased daughter, Elizabeth Fultz shall go to her children, but Henry Fultz shall have no control over it.



Item: "The share of my daughter, Mary West, shall be kept at interest until she becomes a single woman but if it pleases God to call her from this world before her present husband, William West, dies her children shall receive her share."

Item: I give to my son William Smith, the 437 acres of land on which he now lives.

Item: I give to my son George Smith, a lot in Salisbury.

Item: "If my beloved daughter, Barbara Brown, dies before the settlement of my estate her share shall be paid to her three youngest children: Margaret, Sally and Jeremiah."

Item: I appoint my beloved son, Jacob Smith, and my trusty friend, Adam Srote, to execute this my will. Signed Apr. 30, 1814.

Probated 1814.

George Smith.

Col. George Smith Defends the Jersey Settlement.  
North Carolina Colonial Records.

Vol. 5, p. 439. The following petition was read at a meeting of the Assembly held at Newbern, Oct. 13, 1755.

Your Petitioners, having orders from Henry McCulloch of Great Britian to Resurvey a Tract of land for which he has a Patent, did for that service employ James Mackelwean who with persons for Chain Carriers, did proceed to resurvey the said tract of 100,000 acres on the Yatkin river - - - on the 23 day of June, while on the last line, the said James Mackelwean was overtaken by Col. George Smith and fourteen other men armed with Guns, Swords, Clubs and Staves and ordered to Desist from running said lines on the said land for if he did so to do they would carry him and his company to Goal and break their bones, the Fear of which caused his assistants to refuse him any farther service - - - and the said James Mackelwean was obliged to Depart.

Therefore your petitioners most Humbly crave Justice against Col. George Smith, etc.

Oct. 10, 1755

John Campbell  
Alexander McCulloch

Col. George Smith in the French & Indian War.  
North Carolina Col. Records. Vol. V, p. 144.

Cape Fear, North Carolina, Oct. 22, 1754.

My Lords of the Board of Trade,

- - - A few days ago I received a letter by express from Col. John Cook of Anson County informing me of the murder of 16 white people and 10 carried away. At the time the messenger left a party of Cataba Indians were on the tract of the Indians that committed the murder.

I have sent up what powder and lead I could get with orders to Col. Smith, the commanding Officer in Rowan County, to assist Col. Clark.

I am with greatest respect,  
Matt Rowan.



Peter Smith, d. 1769, emigrated from Pennsylvania to Rowan County, North Carolina. On Aug. 3, 1759, he procured a grant from the Earl of Granville for 580 acres of land lying on the west side of the Yadkin River and on both sides of Cranes Creek. His wife's name is signed with his to a deed for land which he sold in Rowan County in 1762.

m.

Barbara \_\_\_\_\_.

Children.

I. Col. George Michael Smith, b. 1727, d. Oct. 23, 1814.

m. 1st. Sarah Brandon, d. after 1803.

m. 2nd. Mary \_\_\_\_\_,

Children. (See p. 98.)

II. Peter Smith, d. ca. 1789.

m. Margaret \_\_\_\_\_. On Feb. 3, 1789, Margaret Smith and Michael Swink qualified as administrators for the estate of Peter Smith.

III. Eva Smith,

m. 1st. John Adams, d. 1762. On July 27, 1762, Eva Adams and George Smith were appointed administrators of the estate of John Adams by the Rowan County Court.

m. 2nd. Christoph Knotzer, from York County, Pa. He took out naturalization papers in Rowan County on Sept. 23, 1765. They moved to Davie County, N. C.  
Children.

1. John Adams.

2. George Adams.

3. Susanna Adams.

4. Peter Adams.

5. Barbara Adams.

IV. Margaret Smith, m. Sept. 4, 1775, Christian Aeson.

V. Mary Smith.

VI. Susanna Smith, m. Richard Walton, d. 1814.

Children.

1. Richard Walton.

2. Peter Walton.

3. John Walton.

4. Daniel Walton

5. Benjamin Walton.

6. Susanna (Walton) Kern.

VII. Elizabeth Smith,

m. Sept. 5, 1774, Hugh Cunningham, d. 1817. He married, second, Feb. 10, 1780, Mary Kent. His Rowan County will names 14 children but it is difficult to separate the children of the two marriages.

Children. (See p. 88.)

VIII. Magdalon Smith.

IX. John Smith

#### Will of Peter Smith, d. 1769.

Peter Smith in his Rowan County will, dated and proved in 1769, named his wife and children and made provision for his Adams grandchildren whose father, John Adams, had been dead for some years.



John Brandon, b. 1713, d. Apr. 27, 1775, is reputed to have been a native of England. He immigrated to Pennsylvania where, on Dec. 23, 1737, he acquired a tract of 250 acres of land in Hanover Township, Lancaster Co. He removed to Bladen County, (later Anson and now Rowan) North Carolina, prior to May 13, 1748. He was one of His Majesty's Justices, presiding over the Anson County Courts from 1749 until 1753 and over the Rowan County Courts from 1753 until Feb. 10, 1775, with the exception of two years when he was in the Assembly. On Sept. 29, 1750, he was issued a grant by the Colonial Assembly for 500 acres of land in Anson County. On Mar. 25, 1752, he obtained a grant for 650 acres of land, from Earl Granville, upon the waters of Grants Creek and it was apparently, here, six miles south of Salisbury, that he lived. On Feb. 20, 1754, he and James Carter took their seats in the assembly as the first representatives from the newly formed county of Rowan. He served until 1757 or later. On p. 185 of the first Minute Book it is stated that on July 22, 1757, "John Brandon, Esq., came into Court and took the oath of a Justice of the Peace." He was one of the twenty-five members of the Committee of Safety who were appointed by the Assembly for Rowan when the organization was formed in 1774. He is buried at Thyratira Presbyterian Church (then Cathey's Meeting-house).

Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_, d. ca. 1803.  
Children.

- I. William Brandon, b. May 13, 1748, in Bladen County (later Anson and now Rowan) N. C., d. Sept. 12, 1836, in Smith County, Tenn., is mentioned on p. 97 of Wheeler's Reminiscences as being the first white child born west of the Yadkin River. During the Revolutionary War he served as a lieutenant in the Continental Army. The date of his birth and death and the names of his children were gotten from his application for a pension, dated Aug. 28, 1836.

m. Sept. 6, 1775, Hannah Erwin.  
Children.

1. Esther Brandon married John P. Erwin.
2. Margaret Brandon married William Pike.
- \* 3. Jane Brandon married Adam Stearns.
4. Sarah Brandon married Jame Parsley.
5. John Brandon.
6. Nancy P. Brandon married Franklin Erwin.
7. Polly Brandon married John Gillespie.
8. Elizabeth Brandon.
9. William Brandon.

II. Jane Brandon, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Nichols.

III. Elizabeth Brandon, d. 1826.

m. Jan. 4, 1762, David Woods, d. 1801. (B) Henry Horah.  
Children. (Named in wills of both parents.)

1. William Brandon Woods.
2. Elizabeth Brandon Woods.
3. Thomas Woods.
4. Abraham Woods.
5. Josiah Woods.
6. Truth Woods.
7. Sarah Woods.

V. Sarah Brandon, d. ca. 1803.

m. Col. George Michael Smith, b. 1727, d. Oct. 23, 1814.  
Children. (See p. 98.)



- V. Ann Brandon,  
m. "During Gov. Martin's Term," John Todd, Jr.  
Children. (Named in will of John Todd, Sr., d. 1798.)  
1. Thomas Todd.  
2. James Todd.  
3. John Todd.

#### Other Brandons in Early Rowan

In the Rowan County court-house there is an original "List of Taxable Persons" made in 1759. On it are the names of James Brandon, Sr., John Brandon, Esq., Richard Brandon and Thomas Brandon. John Brandon, Esq., and Richard Brandon were brothers. It is unquestionable that the other two men were related to them but in what degree it is impossible to determine. Thomas Brandon, who lived in the Thyratira neighborhood near John and Richard Brandon, apparently, had no wife or children. James Brandon, Sr., lived on Fourth Creek and left a large family of sons and daughters.

Rowan County Court Minutes. Vol. 2, May 5, 1775.

On motion of John Dunn, Esq.

Ordered by the Court that Letters of Administration be issued to Elizabeth Brandon and William Brandon on the estate of John Brandon, dec., who qualified and gave Security viz: Matthew Locke and Francis Locke in the sum of £ 1400.

Will of Elizabeth Brandon, d. ca. 1803.

I, Elizabeth Brandon, of the County of Rowan and the State of North Carolina, being aged and infirm in body but sound of mind and disposing memory think it proper to make this my last Will and Testament.

Item 1st. I give and bequeath unto my son William Brandon my Negro boy Sam provided he gives my other heirs a full and complete discharge and release from all further demands of the heirs of Matthew Armstrong, dec., against them and also I give and bequeath my said son ten shillings in cash.

Item 2nd. I give and bequeath unto my daughter, Elizabeth Woods, during her natural life, my Mulatto girl Peg and at her death it is my will that Peg be the property of my granddaughter, Elizabeth Woods, the Younger. I also give and bequeath unto the said Elizabeth Woods, the Younger, two sheets, a covered and a set of curtains. I also give and bequeath unto David Woods, Senr-, ten shillings in cash.



Item 3rd. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann Todd, a note I hold against her deceased husband's estate to the amount of L 33, s. 6, p. 8, and also another note of the same amount and against the same estate I give and bequeath unto my grandsons, Josiah and Truth Woods, the two youngest sons of David Woods, to be equally divided between them.

Item 4th. I give and bequeath unto my grandson, John Brandon, son of my son William Brandon, my Brown Hors, also I give and bequeath unto his sister, my granddaughter, Elizabeth Brandon, a bed and bedstead, two blankets, two sheets, and a coverled.

Item 5th. I give and bequeath unto my two daughters Jane Nichols and Sarah Smith, and my grandson, William Brandon, the Younger, to be equally divided among them, by sale or otherwise, all the residue of my estate including my Negro wench, Phillis, and her youngest child, my stock, except my clothes which I allow to be equally divided among my daughters and daughter-in-law, Hannah Erwin. And lastly I appoint my trusty friend, Captain Richard Locke, to execute this my last Will and Testament. In witness thereof I set my hand and seal this Fourth Day of September, 1797.

Signed in presence of  
Matt Brandon.  
Jesse Thomas.

Elizabeth Brandon.

Note - Compare with deed made by Sarah Smith to her son, George Smith, on page 92. 99.

#### The Brandons in Pennsylvania.

History of the Counties of Dauphin and Lebanon.

William Henry Eagle. Pub. 1838.

(Dauphin was formed from Lancaster Co., Pa., in 1785.)

#### P. 23. Warrantees of Land in Paxtang Township.

James Ferguson	300; Jan. 22, 1737.
Henry Gardner	500; Mar. 4, 1733.
John Graham	200; Aug. 2, 1733.

#### Warrantees of Land in Hanover Township.

(Formed 1736 from Paxtang)

John Brandon	250; Dec. 23, 1737.
John Brandon, Jr.,	250; Dec. 23, 1737.
William Baird	200; Jan. 10, 1737.
John Brunner	100; May 5, 1752.
John Graham	200; Dec. 23, 1737.
John McKown	400; Jan. 9, 1736 (2½ yrs. settled)

#### Obituary of William Brandon (1748-1836.)

"In Smith county, Tennessee, 17th Sept., Mr. William Brandon, aged about 99 years. Mr. Brandon was the first male child of civilized parents ever born west of the Yadkin River in the United States; he moved from Rowan, where he was born, in Nov. 1800, and settled in middle Tennessee where he lived until his death enjoying uninterrupted health up to about three weeks previous to his death."

North Carolina Standard. Nov. 24, 1836.



John Brandon, b. 1691, d. May 17, 1756, was a native of England. He emigrated to Pennsylvania where he and his son, John Brandon, Jr., were land-owners in Hanover Township Lancaster County, as early as Dec. 23, 1737. He and his wife, Elizabeth Locke, are buried at Thyratira Presbyterian Church, (then called Cathey's Meeting-house) Rowan County, N. C.

m. 1st.

Cathey, a sister of James Cathey, d. 1756, in Rowan County, N. C., and probably a sister of John Cathey, d. 1743, and Edward Cathey, d. 1745, both of Lancaster County, Pa.

m. 2nd.

Elizabeth (maiden name unknown) b. 1705, d. Aug. 10, 1760. She was the widow of John Locke, d. 1744, in Lancaster County, Pa., the father of Francis, Matthew, George and Margaret Locke.

Children.

- I. John Brandon, Jr., born 1713, d. Apr. 27, 1775, m. Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_  
d. ca. 1803.

Children. (See p. 102.)

- II. Richard Brandon, d. Oct. 27, 1790. He made his permanent home on Grants Creek about six miles south of Salisbury in the neighborhood with his father, his brother John, his step-brothers, Francis and Matthew Locke, who became his brothers-in-law, and his cousins Alexander Cathey and James Graham.

m. Margaret Locke, a daughter of John Locke, d. 1744.

Children. (Named in their father's will.)

1. Col. John Brandon, d. Jan. 22, 1822, in Rowan County.
2. Matthew Brandon, Esq. b. 1751, d. Sept. 9, 1819, is buried with his wife at Thyratira.  
m. Jane Armstrong, b. 1756, d. Feb. 3, 1819, a daughter of Matthew Armstrong. They were the grandparents of Gen. Rufus Barringer and the great-grandparents of Alice and Fannie Brandon Moore, of Charlotte, N. C.
3. Mary Brandon, b. Nov. 11, 1749, d. Sept. 24, 1834, m. Jan. 21, 1769, William Alexander, b. Dec. 25, 1746, d. Aug. 4, 1830. Lived in Trousdale Co., Tenn.
4. Allis Brandon, m. July 28, 1779, John Erwin.
5. Elizabeth Brandon, b. 1761, d. 1801, m. Apr. 12, 1780, Col. Francis McCorkle, b. 1742, d. Oct. 6, 1802. She was the Betsy Brandon who served breakfast to President Washington and several of his aides, in 1791, at the Richard Brandon home as the party was enroute from Charlotte to Salisbury. (D.A.R. marker.)

- III. William Brandon, b. 1725, d. Dec. 1755, lived on Sills Creek in the "Cathey Settlement" a few miles northwest of Salisbury. He is buried by his father's side in Cathey's Meeting-house yard.

m. Ann Cathey, a daughter of Ann and James Cathey. She m. 2nd. Thomas Bashford; m. 3rd. a Troy.

Children.

1. Col. James Brandon, d. 1814, m. Esther Horah, b. Dec. 17, 1755, d. Jan. 22, 1822, a daughter of Margaret Gardner and Henry Horah. Both are buried with most of their children at Thyratira.  
Children. (See p. 83.)
2. John Brandon, m. Mary Dunn, a daughter of Major John Dunn, a graduate of Oxford and a lawyer of Salisbury, N. C. No Children.



Estate of John Brandon, d. 1756.

Rowan County Court Minutes. Vol. I. July 23, 1756.

Ordered on Motion of John Verrill, Esq., on behalf of Elizabeth Brandon, for letters of Administration on the estate of John Brandon, Senr-, Dec. - Granted. Alexander Cathey and Francis Locke Securities, in the Sum of £ 1090 proclamation money.

Rumple's History of Rowan County.

Dr. Jethro Rumple, in his valuable History of Rowan County, gave seven pages to the Brandons who settled yearly within her borders. Unfortunately Dr. Rumple stated that John Brandon, Sr. was one of the Rowan County Justices in 1753, confusing him with John Brandon, Jr. More unfortunately still he stated that William Brandon, after the death of his wife Ann Cathey, married a Troy, when it was William Brandon who died young and his widow, Ann Cathey Brandon, who married twice after his death. He also stated that Betsy Brandon was a little maid of twelve summers when she served breakfast to President Washington at her father's home near Salisbury. The dates on the McCorkle gravestones in Lincoln County show that, in 1791, she was 30 years old, married to Col. Francis McCorkle and the mother of four children.

The few documents signed by John Brandon, Sr., were usually signed, also, by John Brandon, Jr. On one of these the son's name was written John Brandon, Esq., and it is written that way on his tombstone. A good many Anson County deeds and Grants, signed prior to the time the first Rowan County Court met in June 1753, are recorded in Vol. 1, Rowan County Deeds. Among them is the following deed:

Vol. 1, p. 12. An indenture was made Feb. 2, 1753, between James Graham and William McKnight, both of Anson County, for a tract of land lying in Anson, on Buffalo Creek.

In presence of  
John Brandon, Senr-.  
John Brandon, Esqr-.

James Graham

Estate of William Brandon, d. 1755.

Court Min. In an Indenture made Feb. 21, 1759, it was stated that after the death of William Brandon his estate was administered by his widow, Ann Brandon, for the benefit of his two children, John Brandon and James Brandon, both infants; that after her marriage to Thomas Bashford he became the administrator of the estate with Henry Horah and Thomas Dobbins as securities. Thomas Bashford, having become greatly indebted to sundry persons and having made purchases of land from the sale of the estate of William Brandon he, Thomas Bashford, turned over to Horah and Dobbins all of his property to be used in payment of his debts.

Minutes of the Court of Equity. May 2, 1803.

John Brandon )	It was ordered by the Court that the original will of William Brandon, father of the complainant, be enrolled and that the testimony of Geo. Locke be enrolled which is as follows, to wit,
vs. )	
James Brandon )	
and others )	



The Will,

In the name of God amen. I William Brandon being of great indisposition of Body but of perfect memory do make this my last Will and Testament - - - and my Body to be buried in our Meeting-house yard.

I leave to my Father-in-law and Mother-in-law a tract of land according to a bargain or agreement I made with them formerly.

I leave to my lawful and loving wife one-third of all my moveables and also the benefit of the place I now live on, during her widowhood. Provided my wife should marry I allow her to have the third part of all my deeded lands of the lower tract.

I leave unto my two Sons James Brandon and John Brandon all the rest of my estate to be divided equally between them; and I do appoint my trusty friend Alexander Cathey and my brother George Cathey, to be my executors, and I do appoint my brother, John Brandon, to have an oversight of my estate, to see it done according to my will, and also that my two Sons may be Schooled so as to make them good English Scholars - - - this 18th day of December, 1755.

Witnesses present.

John Brandon.

William Brandon.

Alexr. Cathey.

Maxwell Chambers, Esq.

The disposition of George Locke taken before me at my office in the Town of Salisbury the 2nd day of May, 1803, in the Suit of Equity, where John Brandon is Complainant against James Brandon, Richard Trotter, James Armstrong, etc., defendants, taken on the part of the Complainant.

First )

Interrogation) Did you know William Brandon, etc?

Answer. I was well acquainted with William Brandon both in Pennsylvania and in this County for several years before his death. I know that he died in the Cathey Settlement and his death was caused by a fall from his beast.

Second )

Interrogation) Did you know John Brandon and Alexander Cathey, etc?

Answer. I was long and well acquainted with John Brandon and have often seen him write and was well acquainted with his writing and I also believe the signature of Alexander Cathey, as a witness to the will, to be the handwriting of him. I was present sometime during the time John Brandon was writing the will and I heard John Brandon's Father ask his Son William how he should make his will with respect to his lands and William told him he would leave his lands equally between his two sons, James and John Brandon.

Third )

Interrogation) Is Ann Brandon living, etc.?

Answer. Ann Brandon, the widow of William Brandon, sometime after the death of her husband, went to live on the land willed to her sons. I do not know how long she was there. I have been informed and believe that Ann Troy, formerly Ann Brandon, is now dead.



James Cathey, d. 1756, was a brother of the first wife of John Brandon, d. 1756; and he was probably a brother of John Cathey, d. 1743, in Lancaster County, Pa. He emigrated from Ireland to Philadelphia prior to 1737. On May 10, 1738, he acquired a tract of land on Cathey's Creek, a branch of the Shenandoar River, in Orange (now Augusta) County, Va., and on Apr. 11, 1749, he was appointed a Justice, by the N. C. Colonial Assembly, for Anson County (now Rowan), along with his nephew, John Brandon, Jr. He died in the Cathey Settlement, Rowan County, N. C.

m.

Ann \_\_\_\_\_, d. 1761. Administration on her estate was issued to John Cathey.

Children. (Named in James Cathey's claim filed, Feb. 28, 1739, in Orange County, Va., for land, having imported himself and family from Ireland; also mentioned in his Rowan County will.)

I. William Cathey purchased land, Sept. 7, 1738, lying on Cathey's Creek in Beverley Manor, Augusta County. He died, intestate, prior to 1745 in Augusta County.

II. John Cathey, d. 1764, was an attorney of Salisbury, m. Jean \_\_\_\_\_, in Ireland.

Children. (Mentioned in their father's will)

1. Jean Cathey, was baptized by the Rev. John Craig, Dec. 30, 1744, at Augusta Stone Presbyterian Church, in Augusta County, Va.
2. James Cathey.
3. Hugh Cathey, m. Aug. 4, 1774, Jane Baitey.
4. John Cathey.
5. William Cathey.
6. Agness Cathey, m. William Pennichs.
7. Ann Cathey, m. July 15, 1784, Joshua Pennichs.

III. George Cathey, m. Jean \_\_\_\_\_.

Children.

1. Ann Cathey, baptized Aug. 3, 1743, at Augusta Stone.
2. Margaret Cathey, baptized Oct. 21, 1744, at Augusta Stone. Mentioned in her grandfather's will.
3. James Cathey, baptized June 1746, at Augusta Stone.
4. George Cathey, baptized Nov. 15, 1747, at Augusta Stone.

IV. Andrew Cathey, a landowner in Augusta County, Va., and later in Rowan County, N. C., m. \_\_\_\_\_.

Children.

1. William Cathey, baptized Apr. 26, 1741, at Augusta Stone.
2. Mary Cathey, baptized June 27, 1742, " " "
3. James Cathey, baptized Apr. 15, 1744, " " "
4. Margaret Cathey, baptized Nov. 21, 1745, at " "
5. Ann Cathey, mentioned in her grandfather's will.

V. Ann Cathey,

m. 1st. William Brandon, b. 1725, d. Dec. 1755, a son of John Brandon, d. 1756.

m. 2nd. 1756, Thomas Bashford, d. 1767, an attorney of Salisbury, N. C.

m. 3rd, a Troy.

Children.

1. Col. James Brandon, d. 1814, buried with his wife at Thyratira.  
m. Esther Horah, b. Dec. 17, 1755, d. Jan. 22, 1822.
2. John Brandon, m. Mary Dunn, a daughter of Major John Dunn.

VI. Margaret Cathey, m. Samuel Coburn, of Iredell County, N. C.



VII. Elizabeth Cathey. She was mentioned when James Cathey proved importation in Orange County, Va., but was not mentioned in his will.

Records of Augusta County, Virginia.  
Lyman Chalkley.

Vol. III, p. 302. John and Jean Cathey "lately from Ireland" sold to Samuel Wallace 300 acres of land on Cathey's Creek of the Shenandoah River in Augusta, Co., Va., on Dec. 27, 1751, "intending to settle in Carolina." John had come into possession of this land as the oldest brother of William Cathey, who had died intestate and who had purchased this plot in Beverley Manor, Sept. 28, 1738.

Orange County Order Book 2, Page 109.  
(Augusta was formed from Orange in 1745.)

At a Court held for Orange County on Thursday the 28th day of February 1739.

James Cathey made oath that having imported himself, Ann his wife, William, Elizabeth, Andrew, George, Margaret & Ann Cathey his children - from Ireland to Philadelphia & from thence into this Colony at his own Charge & that this is the first time of proving his and their rights in order to obtain land - which is ordered to be certified.

Will of John Cathey, d. 1743.

Will of John Cathey, dated Sept. 13, 1742, probated Mar. 1, 1743, in Paxtang Township, Lancaster Co., Pa.

Devisees: Wife Ann.

Her two children, George Cathey and Jean Cathey.

My son, Alexander Cathey.

My grandchildren, Aleis Cathey and John Cathey.

My grandson, John Graham.

Executor and executrix, my wife and my son, Alexr- Cathey.

Witnesses: John Brandon and Alexander Cathey.

Note - The signatures of Alexander Cathey and John Brandon as Justices on the first Rowan County Minute Book and also on the first book of the Trial Docket are identical with those of the same two men on the will of John Cathey, a photostatic copy of the will being used as proof.

Will of James Cathey, d. 1756.

James Cathey, in his Rowan County will, dated Dec. 6, 1756, and registered, Jan. 1757, in Bk. A, p. 50, named his children and left to his wife, Ann Cathey, "the half of the plantation that I now live on with half of the mill during her natural life and at her decease I order it to John Brandon my nephew."

The Tinkling Spring.  
Howard Wilson. Pub. 1954.

P. 418. The Manor Land Purchasers, 1738 - 1744.

Name	Acherage	Cost	Date	Meeting House.
William Cathey	466	E 11.13	7 Sept. 1738	Augusta Stone.

P. 470. Record of Baptisms, 1740 - 1749.

A record is given of the names of the children baptised by the Rev. John Craig pastor of Augusta Stone and Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Churches in Augusta County, Virginia, wherein the time and place and the parents name that presented the child are all recorded.



## The Brandon and Locke Connection.

Elizabeth (maiden name unknown) is buried with John Brandon at Thyratira Presbyterian Church, Rowan County, N. C. On one side of the stone which marks his grave is written, "Here lies ye body of Elizabeth Locke, late wife of John Brandon, deceased, Aug. 10, 1760, aged 55 years."

m. 1st.

John Locke, d. 1744, in Lancaster County, Pa. He was a native of Ireland. Children.

- I. Col. Francis Locke, d. 1796, in Rowan County, N. C.,  
m. Ann Brandon, a daughter of Richard Brandon.
- II. Gen. Matthew Locke, b. 1730, in Ireland, d. 1801 in Rowan County.  
m. 1st. Mary Brandon, b. 1735, d. 1790, a daughter of Richard Brandon.  
m. 2nd. July 20, 1798, Mrs. Elizabeth Gostler of Philadelphia.
- III. George Locke, d. 1804. Lived in Iredell County, N. C.  
m. Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_.
- IV. Margaret Locke,  
m. Richard Brandon, d. Oct. 27, 1790, in Rowan, a son of John Brandon.  
  
m. 2nd.  
John Brandon, b. 1691, d. May 17, 1756, a widower with children John, Richard, and William Brandon. His son Richard married Margaret Locke.

### Estate of John Locke, d. 1744.

Know all men by these presents that we Elizabeth Locke, widow, Francis Locke and Thomas McGuire, of the County of Lancaster and Province of Pennsylvania, are held and firmly bound with Peter Evens, Register General for the probate of wills and Granting of Letters of Administrations, --- in the Sum of £ 130 --- Letters of Administration are granted on the estate of John Locke, dec.

Dated Oct. 3, 1744.

Elizabeth Locke

Francis Locke

Thomas McGuire

Note. A photostatic copy of this bond was received from J. W. Martin Deputy Register of Wills of Lancaster County, Pa., in July 1953. The signature of Francis Locke on this bond and his signature on his will, which was brought from the vaults of the State Archives for comparison, were found to be identical.

### Discrepancies in Locke Genealogical Data.

Sketches of Western North Carolina.

Dr. Cyrus Lee Hunter. Pub. 1877.

P. 180. "Matthew Locke --- married a daughter of Richard Brandon, an early patriot of the same county."

### History of Rowan County.

Dr. Jethro Rumble. Pub. 1891.

P. 152. "The Hon. Matthew Locke was married to a daughter of Richard Brandon, an early patriot of Rowan County."

### Wheeler's Reminiscences.

John Hill Wheeler. Pub. 1884.

P. 399. The first of this race came from Ireland to America and settled in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.



"Gen. Matthew Locke married Mary, daughter of Richard Brandon."

"Col. Francis Locke, a brother of Gen. Matthew Locke, married Ann, (the sister of Gen. Matthew Locke's wife) the daughter of Richard Brandon."

Gen. Matthew Locke.

Claudia Josephine Erwin Pope.

Claudia Pope, in a paper written in 1727 for a Concord chapter of the D. A. R. s, misquoted Dr. Rumble and claimed that he had started in his History of Rowan County that Mary and Ann Brandon who married Francis and Matthew Locke were daughters of John Brandon who married Elizabeth Locke. She added an Elizabeth to the Locke family.

A typewritten copy of this paper can be found in the Hall of History, Raleigh, N. C.

Griffith Rutherford and Allied Families.

Minnie R. H. Long. Pub. 1942.

"The tradition is that John Locke ran a line of immigrant ships between London and Philadelphia and that he died in London. Later his widow, Elizabeth Locke, with five children, came to America on the same boat with John Brandon, a widower, with children. Soon after landing this couple was married."

"Matthew Locke married his stepsister Mary Eliza Brandon, Francis Locke married Anne Brandon and Margaret Locke married her stepbrother Richard Brandon."

Note - As John Brandon was a landowner in Lancaster County seven years before John Locke died he and his sons did not cross the Atlantic with John Locke's widow. Also the Brandons ~~who were natives of Ireland~~ <sup>England and the Lockes who were natives of</sup> were not likely to have emigrated from the same port; it seems equally improbable that John Locke, an Irishman, should have owned a line of ships operating out of London. He left a small estate.

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